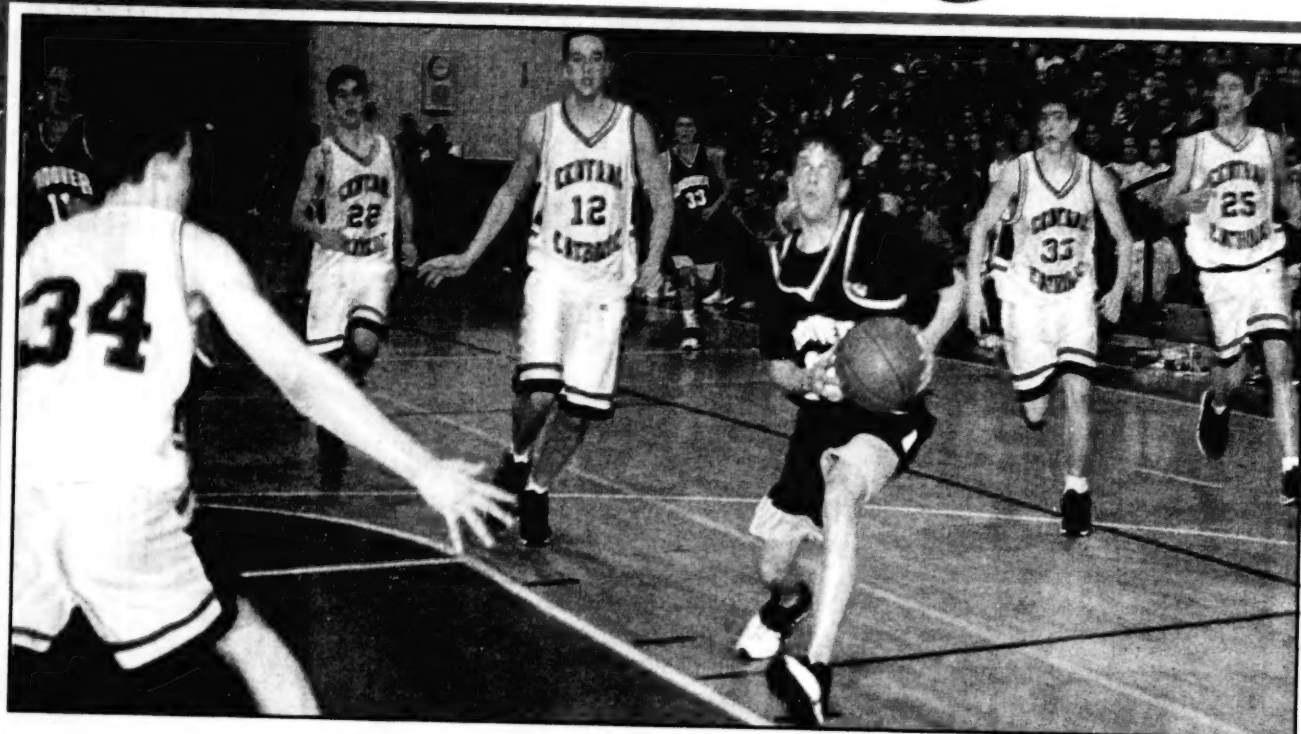


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Leader of the pack — Andover's Paul Bellacqua is out in front of four Central Catholic defenders on his way to the basket. The Golden Warriors outran arch-rival Central last Wednesday night, 71-58, to take the Merrimack Valley Conference Division 1 title. See AHS Roundup, page 33.

Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Over power plant permit The final arguments

By Rebecca Lipchitz

Attorneys hired by Andover to fight the permitting of the proposed power plant in Dracut offered several reasons to state officials last week as to why the plant should not be allowed, including the fact that the developers do not own the property.

Their presentation was one of several closing arguments made before the state Energy Facilities Siting Board in Boston Friday. Attorneys representing the Nickel Hill Energy Project, the town of Dracut and the local environmental group Merrimack Valley Residents for the Environment (MRVE) also made presentation.

Attorney Robert J. Muldoon Jr., of Sherin

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Phillips mourns devastating loss of a student leader

By Rebecca Lipchitz

As heavy rain fell across Andover from a gray Friday afternoon sky, the Phillips Academy campus looked as if it were drowning in grief.

It was. Lecture halls were quiet, while inside dorms, classrooms and other campus buildings, students and faculty met in groups to console one another and to mourn the loss of a

member of the campus family.

As the winter term draws to a close, final exams have been canceled, and teachers have been urged to allow students every consideration in determining their grades.

Academic pursuits are temporarily abandoned at PA, while the school community mourns the death of Zachary E. Tripp, 18, of Acton.

Tripp committed suicide on campus

Thursday afternoon. He was found by local police around 7 p.m. hanging from his belt in the rear stairwell of his dormitory building, Draper Cottage.

According to Officer Robin Cataldo, the last person who saw Tripp, around 4 p.m., did not report that he seemed unusually distraught.

"We asked if he seemed to be depressed and that didn't seem to be the case," Cataldo says.

Tripp, a senior, had stepped down as school council president early last month after being disciplined for drinking.

Students praised his decision to step down, rather than ask the council for a vote to allow him to stay on.

He received a standing ovation from students at an all-school meeting where he apologized for failing to be a role

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Youth center advocates present plan to selectmen

By Neil Fater

If the group calling itself Andover Youth Foundation lives up to its lofty goals, an Andover youth center is just a little more than two years away.

But a number of questions must be answered first, not the least of which is whether the private group represented by outgoing Selectman Larry Larsen and former selectman Jerry Silverman

can raise nearly \$2 million by its target of February 2001.

Silverman told selectmen Monday that the Andover Youth Foundation (AYF) wants to build a 12,000- to 20,000-square-foot youth center behind the West Andover fire station near Greenwood, Ledge and Chandler roads.

The facility would be built in conjunction with plans to create

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State primary is Tuesday

The Andover polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. next Tuesday, March 7, for the state's presidential primary election. All precincts will vote at the Andover High School field house off Shawshen Road.

The primaries on the ballot will be for the Democrat, Republican and Libertarian parties. The offices are presidential preference, state committee man, state committee woman and town committees, which include 35 for Republicans and Democrats and three for Libertarians.

The last day to apply for an absentee ballot

if a voter will be absent during polling hours is Monday, March 6, at noon.

Town Clerk Randy Hanson says while school will be in session all day, the entrance to the polling place and a section for voter parking will be designated behind the field house. A voter shuttle bus will be available on the following schedule.

Service will start at the Senior Center on Whittier Court at 8 a.m., and run approximately every 40 minutes, making stops at the Town Offices, Railroad Street and Frye Circle. The last run will start at about 6 p.m., and return to the Senior Center by 6:36 p.m.

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Battery bazaar — All these toys, and even the watch, are powered by batteries that contain small amounts of mercury.

Y2K buttons: The Final Chapter?

In the beginning, the buttons were good. Then they were bad. Then they were good again. Then they were bad yet again.

And now? Now they're still bad, but perhaps not quite so bad.

The issue, for anyone who has tracked the up-and-down fortunes of the Andover 2000 Millennium buttons, used for admission to the town's New Year's Eve celebration, is mercury.

When the buttons, which contain a blinking light powered by a small battery, were first offered for sale, they were seen as a creative keepsake of the event.

But then, in October, came word that the switch powering the light contained mercury. And given the frenzy over eliminating mercury from the waste stream and from trash incinerator emissions, environmental activists were horrified that the town was, essentially, pushing the sale of it ("Bashing the buttons," *Townsmen*, Oct. 28, 1999).

Members of the local Recycling Committee even lobbied to have the buttons recalled, or at least to be labeled as containing mercury.

But a week later, the town's Millennium Committee, acting on a letter from the button manufacturer, Clegg Industries of Torrance, Calif., assured the committee and residents that, "Clegg Industries thoroughly investigated this issue several years ago, and confirmed with our Asian supplier that there is no mercury in any of our LED blinking buttons." ("Y2K buttons are A-OK," *Townsmen*, Nov. 4).

That was the way things remained for the next couple of months, until Millennium Committee chairman John McMullen confirmed that he and Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski, acting on a hunch, sent one of the button batteries to the town's Water Department to have it analyzed in the department's lab. It came back positive for mercury.

At the time, McMullen said the committee wants to be environmentally responsible, but also noted that button batteries "are probably all over your house. And when your kid gets a toy with a flashing light, there's probably

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Democrats to honor Doherty, Silverman

For almost 100 collective years, Town Moderator Jim Doherty and former selectmen chairman Jerry Silverman have been associated with the Andover Democratic Town Committee.

To recognize their respective achievements of lifetime membership on the ADTC, as well as to celebrate their many years of service to the town, the committee will host a luncheon Saturday, March 11, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Faith Luther-

an Church, 360 South Main St.

State Treasurer Shannon O'Brien will be present to join in honoring the two. All local candidates and elected and appointed officials will be recognized.

Tickets are \$10, but in the spirit of the local political season, anyone attending with a campaign sign, either current or vintage, may purchase a ticket for \$8. Tickets for seniors and children are \$5. To order tickets, send a check (payable to ADTC) to ADTC, PO Box 1746, Andover, MA 01810.

For more information, contact committee chair Norma Villarreal at 475-4485.

Voter registration deadline is March 8

The last day to register for the town election on March 28 and for the 2000 Annual Town Meeting is Wednesday, March 8.

The Town Clerk's office will be open until 8 p.m. that Wednesday for voter registration.

For the record

Due to a reporting error, last week's article "Proposed bylaw would space out local towers," said the Planning Board had voted to recommend adding a bylaw change that would require people building telecommunications facilities to contact nearby residents, even if those residents live in another town. The Planning Board discussed the article Tuesday, Feb. 22, but has not yet voted on it.

A property transfer listed in last week's edition said the trustees of Sebago Andover Realty Trust bought 150 Dascumb Road from MIT. It was MIT that bought the property from the Sebago trustees.

Web poll results

Last week's question on the Townsman's Web page was: **Do you think the downtown needs a parking garage?**

Another record number of online readers — 132 — easily topping last week's record response of 103, opposed a garage by a fairly slim majority of 70-62, or 53-47 percent.

This week's question is: The state Department of Public Health plans to conduct a study of asthma in the Merrimack Valley, in which school records will be examined. Opponents of the study say it will violate students' privacy. Do you favor the study, as presently proposed?

Surf to www.andovertownsman.com and cast your vote.

Quote, unquote . . .

'People are worried about cost. People are worried about taxes. I worry when it seems we're leaping into things."

Selectman Mary French, commenting on plans to build recreational fields near the West Andover fire station sooner than the board had originally planned, in order to complement a new, privately funded youth center.

'They couldn't tell me what the power plant would sound like. We still don't have the specifics."

Andover resident and attorney Christopher Vrontas, urging the state Energy Facilities Siting Board to reject the application for a natural-gas power plant in Dracut.

'Rummaging through school health records that are supposed to be confidential is not the way to do it."

Dr. Margo Goldman, on the state's plan to survey school health records as part of a study on pediatric asthma.

NEWS CALENDAR

Thursday, March 2

Merrimack Valley Advisory Committee, second-floor conference room, Town Offices, 6-9 p.m.

Zoning Board of Appeals, second floor, Memorial Hall Library, 7 p.m.

Ballardvale/Lowell Junction Road Area Traffic Task Force, third-floor conference room, Town Offices, 7:30 p.m.

Strategic Planning Task Force, first-floor conference room, Town Offices, 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 4

Zoning Board of Appeals, second floor, Memorial Hall Library, 9 a.m.

Monday, March 6

Board of Selectmen, third-floor conference room, Town Offices, work session, 6:30 p.m.

Sanborn School Council, Sanborn Media Center, 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Tuesday, March 7

Conservation Commission, third-floor conference room, Town Offices, 3:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 8

Ballardvale Historic District Commission, second-floor conference room, Town Offices, 7 p.m.

Finance Committee, third-floor conference room, Town Offices, 7 p.m.

West Elementary School Council, school conference room, 3:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 9

School Building Committee, third-floor conference room, Town Offices, 6 p.m.

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mercury in that as well."

And this past week, in what is presumably the final word on the great mercury button caper, McMullen provided both an apology from Clegg Industries for what the company called "a miscommunication," and ample evidence that mercury is indeed in numerous items found all over the house — particularly children's toys.

According to a letter from Clegg Industries vice president Kevin Clegg, "Unfortunately, I must retract some of the statements in (a previous letter) as a result of a miscommunication between our Asian supplier and me. It turns out that in response to my initial inquiry concerning mercury content in our LED blinking buttons, the supplier thought I was asking specifically about the LED itself. Based on this,

they replied that there was none.

"It was only after we heard from you that the batteries had been tested and showed some mercury content that we realized there had been a miscommunication."

Clegg said that according to the battery manufacturer, VINNIC, the batteries comply with all environmental requirements in the U.S. and Europe.

"Moreover, the manufacturer informed us that the buttons in question are comparable to the millions of buttons imported into the U.S. every year as components of watches and other common electronic devices.

Among those "devices" are everything from watches to Barbie dolls to Woody dolls, from *Toy Story*.

There are six local drop-off sites for button batteries: Andover Town Offices, at Community Development and Planning on the first floor, or the switchboard/reception desk on the second floor; the Senior Center at Whittier Court; Memorial Hall Library at Elm Square; Andover Photo at 29 Barnard St.; Photo USA at Shawsheen Plaza; and Radio Shack, also at Shawsheen Plaza.



Photo by Carol Van Doren

Good old days? Well, not quite. The Merrimack Valley Regional Transit Authority rolled out its replica trolleys a couple of weeks ago, featuring brass railings, wrought-iron-trimmed wood seats and oak-stain interiors. But they're gas-powered, not electric.

treating heart attack victims, Police Chief Brian Pattullo quietly sat in the back of the selectmen's room Monday.

A few seconds later, however, Pattullo could have fallen out of that seat. That's because Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski told selectmen he was

preparing to find a "new chief of police."

Actually, with current Fire Chief Harold Wright planning to retire this year, Stapczynski had meant to say he was looking for a new fire chief, not

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Officials try to clear air on asthma study

By Rebecca Lipchitz

Andover and state officials will meet tonight, Thursday, hoping to clear the air over a proposed study on high asthma rates in the region that has led to a dispute over privacy rights.

The state Bureau of Environmental Health Assessment, part of the Department of Public Health, won a \$300,000 grant to investigate a possible association between air pollution and pediatric asthma in the Merrimack Valley.

The study is expected to include information gathered from school records of students in Andover, Dracut, Haverhill, Lawrence, Methuen and North Andover, and information from control groups in other towns.

But Dr. Margo Goldman, who founded the Coalition for Patient Rights, based in Andover, says the review of children's health records will violate their privacy.

"We agree that it's important to understand what's causing the high rate of asthma, but rummaging through school health records that are supposed to be confidential is not the way to do it," Goldman says.

She suggests allowing parents to opt out of the study, or requiring school nurses to extract the data for the DPH, and then to provide information with street addresses and no names.

Roseanne Pawelec, spokesperson for the DPH, says she expects parents concern about asthma rates will outweigh their concerns about privacy.

"We fully support a parent's right to know about the study and know the details of how we plan to conduct it," Pawelec says.

The DPH plans to allow the records to be collected by school nurses, she says, and if any parent absolutely

objects, their child's information would not be included.

"They would be encouraged to contact our department and we would have a discussion with them to reassure them about how the study is conducted. If too many people said no, we wouldn't be able to do the study," Pawelec says.

Dr. Daniel E. Coleman, a pulmonary specialist and president of the medical staff at Holy Family Hospital in Methuen, is a member of the Andover Board of Health, and contributes to the study as an adviser.

"I certainly understand the privacy consideration. I deal with it on a daily basis, but I think we should strike a deal here," Coleman says.

As a local pulmonologist, Coleman says he has seen increases in pediatric and adult asthma, but more so in

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police chief. Chuckling, he quickly realized his slip and apologized.

"Brian, you're all right," he said.

But, noting Pattullo still had the defibrillator at the ready, Selectman Brian Major asked, "Brian, do you need to use that unit?"

— Neil Fater

Gurry ends 23-year coaching career at PA

Andover native Chris Gurry, a 1966 graduate of Phillips Academy, will step down as the school's boys hockey coach at the end of this season, capping a 23-year career.

Gurry began coaching the PA hockey team in 1977, following his mentor, history teacher and legendary hockey coach Ted Harrison. Gurry, who also teaches history at PA, will continue in the classroom.

PA Athletic Director Leon Modeste describes Gurry as, "The quintessential Phillips Academy 'triple threat' — teacher, house counselor and coach, setting a standard of excellence in the classroom, being a role model in the dormitory and bringing an air of quiet confidence to the athletic arena."

After starring on the PA hockey team, Gurry continued at Harvard University, where he captained the 1969-70 team in his senior year.

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Captain George L. Street was a genuine local hero

By Neil Fater

While he was one of only four living Massachusetts residents who had been awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor, Captain George L. Street III didn't mind people calling him "George."

But virtually no one did, says Andover veterans agent John Doherty. To the people of Andover — and veterans everywhere — George Street III was known as "Captain Street." He'd earned it.

In fact, local veterans felt such affection and respect for the man, they'd been pushing the Navy for more than a year to name one of its proposed ships after the captain.

Now, if that honor is to be granted Capt. Street, it will be done posthumously.

Capt. Street, 86, a long-time Linda Road resident, died Saturday, Feb. 26. (See obituary, page 28.) There will be a memorial service Sunday, March 5 at 2

p.m. in Christ Church in Andover. He will be buried March 15 at 9 a.m. in Arlington National Cemetery.

Noted military men are expected to attend the Andover memorial service, including two fellow Massachusetts residents and Congressional Medal of Honor winners, state Commissioner for Veterans Services and Vietnam veteran Tom Kelley, and Phillips Academy graduate Tom Hudner, who was a Navy pilot in Korea.

"I think the word 'hero' is much abused. There's sports heroes, acting heroes. Capt. Street is a guy who has a record, to my knowledge, unequaled by anyone in the country," says Doherty. "He has a Congressional Medal of Honor, the highest award granted; a Navy Cross, the second highest award; and two silver stars, the third highest award, all for unrelated activities. He had four incredibly heroic episodes."

Yet Capt. Street expressed the most



◀ Captain George L. Street III with state Sen. Sue Tucker, D-Andover, who sponsored a resolution at the Statehouse that called for naming a Navy ship after him.

Townsmen file photo

fondness for another award.

"He was more proud of the fact that his submarine won the Presidential Unit Citation," says his son, George L. Street IV. "It's sort of the equivalent of a unit winning the Congressional Medal of Honor."

That attitude was typical of Capt. Street's demeanor. In interviews with the *Townsmen*, he would frequently downplay the decisions he made during World War II as commanding officer of the *USS Tirante*. It was these actions that garnered him so many

awards.

When he finally found out about local veterans' stealth effort to have a ship named after him, on the day after selectmen signed a proclamation in his honor, Capt. Street said, "I'm honored, but I wouldn't have the nerve to do it myself."

"He was very humble and very modest. Just an extraordinarily generous and sweet man. He didn't have a habit of bringing up his military history or his medals," says his granddaughter, Heather Street.

She and he father remember joining Capt. Street on the *USS Constitution* during July 4 holidays, when the ship would set sail and be turned around.

"When he was younger, he would take the grandchildren out sailing," says George Street IV.

"He loved to sail, loved the water, loved the Navy, loved golf," he says. "When I was in high school he talked to my class, and my sister's class. He liked young people."

After retiring from the Navy, Capt. Street became involved with the junior ROTC at Woburn High School, and frequently spoke with students.

Because Capt. Street did not like to drive, other Andover veterans would volunteer to drive him to different schools, says Doherty.

Following one visit with young students in recent years, Capt. Street told the *Townsmen*, "I was impressed that they received me so well. I always have a question period because that's where I have fun and that's where I can learn from them."

But while students had an affection for Capt. Street, so did the men who served

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Youth ...

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recreation areas at that site and on the landfill across Ledge Road from the proposed site. Silverman says a gymnasium and even a pool could be added later.

AYS plans to raise the bulk of the approximately \$2.5 million needed, but hopes to ask for substantial help from the town at a September Town Meeting.

The group will ask voters to give the youth-center cause \$500,000, to donate land behind the West Andover fire station, and to increase the budget for Youth Services.

Although AYF has raised only a few thousand dollars so far, Larsen expresses confidence the group will raise the necessary cash. About a year ago, there were only five members of AYF. Today, there are 36, including town leaders in the fields of youth programs, finance, construction, banking and politics, says Larsen.

"This is our one chance. If we blow this one, it's gone for at least a decade. So we're going to take our time," says Larsen.

Action

But a look at AYF's time line does not indicate a group with any plans to dilly-dally.

It plans to raise up to \$250,000 this month, and then work to build support throughout the summer in anticipation of the important votes at Fall Town Meeting.

Another \$1.2 million will be raised by November through major gift and corporate fund raising, with a final \$500,000 coming through community fund raising in February 2001, according to AYF's goals.

Silverman says the group plans to break ground in May, 2001, and have the facility open during 2002.

"Five years ago, right at that table, we voted to support the funding for a youth center and then lost a vote at Town Meeting," says Silverman.

But now, he says, "I think we can honestly say we are on our way."

No time like the present

As the group takes its first public steps, however, officials are pointing out some of the hurdles it must leap.

Selectman Mary French asked why Andover should abandon a plan for youth to move into the current senior center space once seniors move into their proposed new center at Phillips Academy.

"Timing is everything. I think we have the

Moving quickly on new fields

By Neil Fater

Selectmen are moving more quickly than they planned to bring a new recreation spot to West Andover.

In light of a private effort to build a youth center behind the West Andover fire station, selectmen voted 4-0-1 on Monday night to recommend that Town Meeting support a preliminary design for building playing fields in that area.

The board will ask Town Meeting voters to support \$50,000 for a preliminary study and design for building recreation areas on the triangle-shaped land behind the West Andover fire station and across Ledge Road, on top of the former landfill. The fields study is important to assure an integrated design for a youth center and its related outdoor recreation spaces, said Selectman Larry Larsen.

Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski said the town would seek a study of the landfill site even if the town decided against building a youth center behind the West Andover fire station.

"It's laying the groundwork for a youth center, but if the youth center doesn't (happen), the study would still be useful for the landfill site," said Stapczynski.

Selectmen had originally planned to wait until 2003 to build fields.

Because of this change, Selectman Mary French abstained from the vote, after expressing concern that the town may be tackling too many high-priced projects at once. Andover is already looking to spend millions on several projects including two new schools, a public safety center and a \$1-million upgrade to Recreation Park.

"It does seem to me that doing everything at once is (a matter of concern)," said French. "Maybe the time is right to do this now, but I feel a little hesitant about it."

"People are worried about cost. People are worried about taxes," she said. "I worry when it seems we're leaping into things."

enthusiasm to do this now," said Silverman. "I don't know where I'll be three years from now and I don't know where the doctor (Larsen) will be. We have a movement for youth now."

Mary Donohue, of the community services department, also said her department is interested in using the current senior center space full time, and already uses the space at night for

some of its programs.

"Perhaps the time is right. In three years we may have the economic downturn everyone is worried about, and we won't have generous donations," said Selectmen Chairman John Hess.

But Hess expressed other concerns, and said Andover needs to hear from several groups before it can support a proposed article for the Fall 2000 Town Meeting.

"I haven't seen any involvement of parents of youth, particularly parents of elementary students who will be using the center in coming years. I would challenge you to have forums with those groups," he said.

Youth center supporters must see if parents support a West Andover center, since many parents may need to drive their kids

to and from such a facility, he said.

"That's one of the things we are working on now," said Silverman.

The town may also need to confirm there won't be legal or political problems with a private-public partnership seeking to build a town facility on town-owned land.

Silverman said AYF members have discussed different ways to build a center, including whether it should be a town project, or built privately and then given to the town.

Hess noted a town study on the best way to build fields in the area will not be ready by Fall Town Meeting.

Therefore, the town's study of how to build the fields around the proposed youth center site "may not mesh with the time lines they've outlined," he said.

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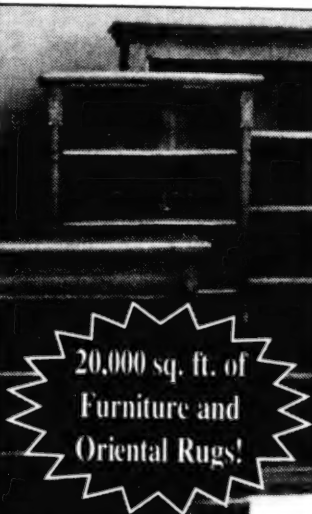
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Youth center has a pro at raising funds

Larry Larsen is confident that the Andover Youth Foundation, a private corporation launched in January, can raise the money it seeks to build a youth center.

He feels this way not because AYF has raised a lot already — it hasn't — but because the leader of the fund-raising effort is Tom Jones, the founder and former CEO of Epsilon.

During Jones' final 15 years with his company, he says Epsilon was the largest annual giving fund-raising company in the country.

Jones says AYF's aggressive time line of raising nearly \$2.5 million by February of 2001 is realistic, though not set in stone.

"I'm avoiding the word aggressive; I think it's solid. It will take a lot of work," he says. "From my experience, it's a lot of work, but it's worth the effort."

"I've always found the demographics of this town support a very strong interest in a youth center. There's no reason to think the town won't support a youth center plan that's well-thought-through," says Jones.

Jones says gaining Town Meeting support for the youth center plan and a \$500,000 donation is just as important as raising nearly \$2 million privately.

"That is probably one of the most challenging parts of the plan," says Jones. "It's as critical and less predictable."

Although talks with large potential donors so far have been of a general nature, Jones says such givers have expressed sincere interest.

"I haven't run into anybody who wasn't serious about talking about it," he says.

— Neil Fater

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A week to give thanks

Perhaps it doesn't seem like it, but this is a week to give thanks.

Of course it isn't Thanksgiving week. It's not even spring yet. And on a number of levels, this has been a very difficult week in Andover.

But it is important to be thankful, because we are also blessed on a number of levels.

We are blessed to have some of the most gifted young athletes that our school system has seen in a while. In a single week, the Andover High girls gymnastics team took the state title, and the boys basketball team won the Merrimack Valley Conference title with a thrilling victory over Central Catholic.

The individual players, the teams, the coaches, the parents and the school system all deserve congratulations for outstanding performances. They deserve to be proud. But they should also remember to be thankful. Physical talent is a gift — a gift to be celebrated and shared with others.

We are blessed to have a group of adults who are passionate enough about young people to commit themselves to raising \$2 million for a new youth center. The point men for the group, outgoing Selectman Larry Larsen and former selectman Jerry Silverman, are at, or close to, retirement age. We should give thanks that they're willing to spend their energy on community service, instead of in a rocking chair in Florida.

We are blessed by the life of retired U.S. Navy Capt. George Street, who passed away this week after a long and full life. We can give thanks not only for his wartime heroics, but for the generation he represents, which sacrificed security, careers and life itself to save the world.

Finally, we are blessed, even while filled with profound grief, by the far-too-short life of Zachary Tripp. While those who were close to him struggle with wondering if they could have done anything to help chase away the demons that made him want to leave this world, we should remember to give thanks for the example he set.

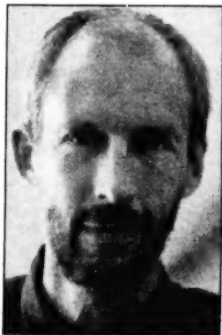
Tripp took intellectual pursuit seriously. He took accountability seriously. Those are traits we would all do well to emulate.



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Floral advice — Andover Garden Club member Jackie Katz (left), helps Michela Smith, 7, with her arrangement last Wednesday at "A Taste of Spring," held at the children's room at Memorial Hall Library.

How does the MTA spell excellence?



Taylor Armerding

Travel back in time with us, to the year 1993, when the word on the lips of any politician who wants to maintain his chosen career path is "Education Reform."

Yes, we parents and other taxpayers have been hearing about reforming education since, well, since we were in school ourselves. But this, we are assured, is different. This is Education Reform with capital letters. This is the Education Reform Act. This time, legislators, experts, administrators and policy makers tell us, we are serious.

And if money is any measure of seriousness, we were very serious indeed. Since 1993, state spending on Chapter 70 or "regular" public education has more than doubled, from \$1.3 billion to \$2.8 billion per year. Cities and towns have upped the ante as well, from \$3 billion statewide to \$3.7 billion annually.

In Andover alone, school spending has increased nearly 60 percent since

1993, from about \$22.8 million to \$36.4 million in the current fiscal year, with requests to top \$39 million next year. That, by the way, is in a period of very low inflation.

The rationale for all this was, in the words of the framers of Education Reform, that we couldn't expect educational excellence if we didn't provide the resources to achieve it.

Now jump ahead to the fall of 1996, when then state education commissioner Robert Antonucci wrote about how "class sizes that ballooned in the 1980s have shrunk," and how he had seen "new books equipment, technology, buildings and students and teachers rejuvenated with an energy and focus stimulated by the dollars and reforms that began flowing in earnest three years ago."

Antonucci said then that with new curriculum frameworks, "we all now know what is expected of students by the time they graduate from high school."

By the year 2000, he predicted, "a high school diploma must be a guarantee" — a guarantee to parents that their child had learned the skills needed to "apply that learning intelligently to every day life experiences," a guarantee to employers that graduates can join the work force "without slow, costly, remedial education," and a guarantee to the community that graduates would contribute to, not subtract from, family and society.

Well, here we are in the Year 2000. What has become of those guarantees?

Let's just say they have been modified a bit.

Instead of a guarantee that students have the skills and training necessary to move successfully into jobs or higher education, we have a guarantee of a growing movement by students in various parts of the state, encouraged by their elders of course, to dump the MCAS test as a requirement for graduation.

The Massachusetts Teachers Association just recently joined the students on this issue, when its leadership voted to file legislation to do what the students demand.

Previously, the union had supported the test, as long as it was not the only thing that would determine if a student would graduate, and was part of a larger "comprehensive assessment system."

And that leads us to the other guarantee about Ed Reform in the Year 2000. In the words of that prominent educational philosopher Mick Jagger, "Too much is never enough."

Because if you read the MTA's "Blueprint for Excellence," issued a couple of weeks ago, it is quickly apparent that the way they spell excellence is M-O-R-E M-O-N-E-Y.

You thought there had already been a massive pile of new money directed at education? You would be correct.

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Letters

Kids want to walk

Editor, *Townsmen*:

Our kids deserve safe routes to their schools, so they can enjoy the same the benefits of a healthy start and end to their days that you did growing up. Andover needs to plan for sidewalks and paths to our new schools when they are being constructed, just as we plan for other essential elements in our children's education. Contrary to your assertion ("You want us to walk to school? Are you nuts?" *Townsmen*, Feb. 17), everywhere in the country where trails have been built, they receive heavy use. If you genuinely challenge the popularity of paths for transportation, I urge you to observe the traffic along the path leading to Bancroft Elementary School from Holt Road on the first warm day of spring.

Kids want to walk and bike to school. You did as a kid, and kids today enjoy the same sense of independence and physical good health from relying on their own healthy bodies to get to and from school. Recent surveys in middle and elementary schools in Nashua, N.H., and Arlington, Mass., conducted for the National Park Service, demonstrated students want to walk and bike to school. The same study found that parents drive their children to school for a variety of reasons, but generally they would prefer them to walk or bike, if a safe environment were created.

The construction of a safe system of sidewalks and paths to our school should not compete with the expense of a busing program. Both are needed and should be provided.

Steven Golden
13 Robandy Road

Vote for Teichert

Editor, *Townsmen*:

Education is a priority with Ted Teichert. Presently, Andover is spending below the state average on a per-pupil basis.

Andover has traditionally been proud of its school system. If we are to continue to be proud of the Andover education system, our present and future leaders of our town should make the education of our children a priority. I believe Ted Teichert will seek to provide an adequate school budget and keep the pride in our educational system.

Bill Pennington
46 Clark Road

So, congressman, a few questions

Editor, *Townsmen*:

Well, I see that our wonderful Congressman Marty Meehan is still with us, especially in an election year. Now, seeing as how Mr. Meehan is so hepped up on accuracy, I should like to point out a few things and ask the congressman, true or false:

Cell towers instead of trees on the front lawn?

Editor, *Townsmen*:

In response to your editorial on cell towers ("Balancing act on cell towers," *Townsmen*, Feb. 24), I would like to make the following comments:

It is a shame that people go to their children's soccer games, and instead of watching the game, they spend their time speaking with whoever on their cell phones. It's too bad that people cannot go to the supermarket without calling home to see what kind of toilet paper they want. And it is horrendous that people drive our highways making calls that could well be done at home.

It is time to go back to basics. When you go to your children's soccer games, watch your child playing. It will be much more enjoyable. Leave your cell phone home when you go shopping, and make our highways and byways safer by not speaking on the phone when driving.

I would hope that the laws would get stricter with cellular phone companies, and make sure that these towers are

placed in areas where they are not a threat to our health and environment. The new legislation backed by the MMA would be a travesty to our neighborhoods.

Now, I'm not totally against cell phones, but I do hope that our lawmakers see fit to protect our neighborhoods from cell towers, power plants and the like, and not allow cell phone companies to place antennas wherever they wish. This could mean that antennas could be placed on water towers, power plant stacks or any tall buildings. The writer of the editorial seems to think that the new legislation is a solution, but if you had a 100-foot tower in your backyard, you would not be so willing to offer this compromise.

If we continue to buy cell phones for frivolous reasons, then one day we will likely wake up and instead of trees in our front lawns, there will be cell towers. What a scary thought!

Noreen Austin
7 Shepley St.

One: Did you or did you not cross picket lines in order to get on TV during the spirited defense of Bill Clinton, on which you were so vocal?

Two: Did you or did you not lobby hard of a tax break for Raytheon Co. in Massachusetts so that they would not lay off workers (and now see what is happening)?

Three: Did you or did you not promise, in writing, that you would not serve over a maximum number of years as congressman (of which you are now up on the deadline)?

And, by the way, that is only a few items. But seeing as how you are so obsessed with accurate stuff, let me ask, just what do you know of the 1930s under that great president, FDR, who, were he alive today, would no doubt wave you off as a fly.

Kenneth T. Buck
8 Summer St.

Vote for Robb

Editor, *Townsmen*:

Spring is already on our doorstep, which means that Andover's March 28 town election is just a few weeks away. With that in mind, we enthusiastically encourage our fellow Andover residents to support the candidacy of Don Robb for selectman.

We are proud to call Don our friend and neighbor, we are delighted that he has chosen to run and we are convinced that he is the right man for the job for a number of reasons.

First, there is Don's 20-year record of volunteer service to the town, including

10 years on the School Committee and another 10 years on the Finance Committee. He brings a breadth of knowledge directly concerning town government that few candidates could match, especially since his hands-on experience has centered on the twin hot issues of education and finance. As 25-year residents of Andover, Don and his wife, Vicky, have sent all six of their children to Andover High. Don has had the unique experience of supporting education as a parent, while keeping a sharp eye on the budget — a balancing act he has achieved with distinction.

Second, Don brings extensive knowledge of town growth and a strong belief that we must better coordinate our planning efforts so that we may preserve the qualities that make Andover such a wonderful place to live. While growth is inevitable, Don has publicly added his voice to the growing chorus that asks our town leaders to face this difficult issue with something other than a laissez-faire attitude.

Third, Don has always practiced open and responsive leadership. He is a man who listens carefully, weighs all sides of an issue, then makes a rational, well-reasoned decision. Despite his many successful years in town government, we have never known him to practice "insider politics." Don feels strongly that the Board of Selectmen needs to project a clear sense of direction, dealing proactively with issues such as education, youth and senior concerns, long-range planning, traffic, sidewalks and housing, before they become crises.

Finally, there is the man himself. We

are proud to support Don because of our deep respect for his integrity, his honesty, his intelligence, his moral courage and his continuing devotion to our much-loved town. He also happens to be one heck of a nice guy — easy to talk to and easy to listen to. We believe that while other candidates may have their virtues, we couldn't wish for a better choice than Don Robb for selectman. We hope our fellow townspeople will entrust him with their votes on March 28.

Phyllis and Bob Zimmerman
9 Carisbrooke St.

Reality, not paranoia

Editor, *Townsmen*:

One editorial comment I would make on your article entitled "You want us to walk to school? Are you nuts?", is where you write "based on today's mentality." I would change that to "based on today's reality."

Given the media's inordinate attention to the rapes, murders, and multiple abuses of minors; coupled with the fact that working parents ARE seeking opportunities to spend "quality time" with their children, I am prone to believe that driving one's children to school is more based on the realities of today's world rather than paranoia.

Though I personally do not drive my children to school, I am reluctant to criticize those who do.

Deborah Day Smith
High Street

Vote for Teichert

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I am writing to give the people of Andover who don't know Ted Teichert more information to digest before going to cast their votes.

Ted is running for selectman. As a board member and a cheerleading co-coordinator for the Andover Junior Football League, of which Ted is the president, I have had the opportunity to work closely with him on a multitude of issues and events.

Ted carries the responsibility for the AJFL, does it with much pride and loads of enthusiasm. He voluntarily dedicates his time and energy during the season, with his wife Jean and two daughters right behind him. He enjoys interfacing with the youth of Andover, and is very dedicated to the priorities of their future. Ted is a great listener and responsive to individuals needs.

Ted grew up in Andover, moved away, then worked very hard to be able to move back to raise his family here. He is very in touch with the everyday issues we all face, and wants to be a positive force for the future of our wonderful town. If these traits are any indication of the type of selectman Ted would make, we would be making a great decision to cast our vote for him.

Beth Dufton
47 Rocky Hill Road

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LETTERS

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Vote for Major

Editor, *Townsmen*:

Over the past nine years, I have gotten to know Brian Major very well. As you know, he is running for a second three-year term for Selectman here in Andover, and I am convinced we are all the luckier for it.

He is very reliable, dependable, and extremely thorough in his work, particularly in all his decisions as selectman. My wife, Colleen, first met Brian years ago when they were advisers to the Andover Youth Council. Even back then, it was obvious his energy level was boundless. I remember Brian talking about a skate park for the youth, and thinking it would be a very difficult project to achieve. However, Brian brought both the town and school together for the first time on this issue. He listened to the students, and let them participate in the decision-making. Now the skate park is a reality, and any of you who go down there while it's open can see the fantastic results!

Similarly the Senior Center has been discussed for a long time. Brian has been relentless in his support for a new center, and now it is ready to move forward. It is also a matter of record that Brian has supported the new safety center, as well as providing adequate schools for our growing community. I know Brian is very conscious of rising taxes and is looking into innovative ways to keep our tax rate down while providing a Class A

school system for our children.

On the personal side, Brian has become one of our best friends. He has a great sense of humor that can serve us all well when it comes to making difficult decisions. I know Brian will work diligently for the town, as he has the past 36 months making him truly our "Man for All Seasons."

Ted Georgian
11 Lovejoy Road

Plenty of parking, if you walk for a bit

Editor, *Townsmen*:

As a former Andover resident, I was not surprised that 70 percent of poll respondents were in favor, as Andover seems to have been over-run by lazy, short-sighted, self-centered types who think that if they have to park and walk a block that means there's "no parking."

In my 20 years growing up in Andover and in every visit since, I have never encountered a problem finding a parking place. The key thing is, you have to get out and WALK. This is good not only for you but also for the stores, because while you might only intend to go to one store, while you're out walking you'll probably find more stores that interest you and, who knows, actually meet people and connect with your community.

Do we want to have a downtown that's like a mall? Every square foot of parking garage is dead space, ugly space, space that cuts a hole in Andover's downtown.

Wendy Darling
Atlanta, Ga.

Fight against power plant just beginning

Editor, *Townsmen*:

Last Friday, proceedings at the Energy Facilities Siting Board ended with closing arguments on the Nickel Hill Energy power plant proposal in Dracut. The siting board is just one small but critical slice of the permitting process.

The Merrimack Valley Residents for the Environment (MVRE) would like to publicly thank attorneys S. James Boumil and Christopher Vrontas for representing our interests throughout the siting board proceedings. They generously gave hundreds of hours of time, completely pro bono, to make our case before the Board. They, along with the many other MVRE volunteers, have worked diligently to protect Andover's quality of life.

We'd also like to thank the Town of Andover for participating throughout the siting board proceedings and representing our interests as well. Andover's special counsel, Attorney Robert Muldoon, did an outstanding job making a case against the siting of this plant in his closing arguments.

MVRE has been opposing this proposal on multiple fronts. Among our recent successes, the secretary of Environmental Affairs rejected Nickel Hill's Environmental Impact Report. We feel encouraged that the state spoke so strongly on behalf of our health and safety.

In some ways, the battle is just beginning. It continues to be evident that this is the wrong site, using the wrong technologies, by the wrong company. MVRE

continues to work toward defeating the proposal and if, against the weight of all the evidence, the plant is still permitted, we will fight for the cleanest and best technologies. Call 681-6486 for more information.

Laura Jordan and Sheryl Poole
MVRE

Seniors support youth center

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I would like to congratulate Bill Fahey and his youth group on the plans for a youth center at the West Fire Station. While it will not happen overnight, it is off to a good start and assured of success. Bill has done a remarkable job with the young people of this town, instilling in them a realization that such a center is not a "right," but a privilege.

They deserve much credit for the philanthropic work they do in collecting and providing clothing for the less advantaged. In addition, they participate in many activities with the Senior Center, to the enjoyment of both age groups.

I feel that Bill has done much to instill in these boys and girls a sense of responsibility to themselves, their schools and the community.

I know I speak for the Council on Aging and the senior population when I say "Congratulations, Bill (and your team)." You know that you will have our whole-hearted support in your endeavors.

Dorothy Bresnahan
Chairman
Andover Council on Aging



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Education

Andover gets a 'herstory' lesson

By Rebecca Lipchitz

Ask Andover students to name important women in history and one hears a variety of responses. Ask for a role model, and few of them coincide.

Well-known among Andover students are Rosa Parks, Eleanor Roosevelt, Harriet Tubman and Amelia Erhardt.

A few less-well known women of history, but important Andover figures will be portrayed by Susan Lenoe at the opening event of Herstory: Women Then and Now, a month-long program to celebrate Women's History Month, organized by the Gender Initiative Committee.

Saturday at 1 p.m. in Old Town Hall, Andover actresses Lenoe and Jane Gossard present *Alice Buck Goes to Town*, a participatory story of Andover Town Meeting in the 1900s, where resident Alice Buck asks the town to stop taking gravel from Indian Ridge.

Audience members are encouraged to participate as town meeting voters, and even to dress the parts in vests or long dresses if they wish, Lenoe says.

"It's a very good example of how, 100 years ago, women, especially in Andover, were leaders in a lot of early preservation movements."

Lenoe will also portray other historical Andover women at the Senior Center on Wednesday, March 29.

She will likely include vignettes of women including poet Anne Bradstreet, Martha Carrier, hanged as a witch, author Harriet Beecher Stowe, and notable personality and policewoman Bessie Goldsmith.

The events are part of a month-long program on women's history.

Andover students, asked to name famous women in history, produced a variety of responses, from Hillary Clinton to Florence Nightingale.

Rosa Parks, noted for refusing to sit in the back of a bus and icon of the civil rights movement, was most well-known.

Junior Mohini Benkatesh says Parks is not only an important role model for women, but for all minorities.

"She stands for all the stuff America is supposed to stand for. She went against

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We can work it out — Left to right, teacher Dr. Ron Francis, School Committee member Tina Girdwood, Superintendent of Schools Dr. Claudia Bach and teachers' union president Tom Meyers announce the terms of their settlement at a press conference at the Andover High School television studio Tuesday.

Union settlement announced, portrayal disputed

By Rebecca Lipchitz

While most School Committee members joined leaders of the teachers union in a press conference Tuesday announcing the settlement of a grievance over block scheduling, outgoing School Committee member Tim McCarron criticized the committee's handling of the agreement.

Union heads, administrators and committee members formally announced the terms of the settlement. Teachers had filed a grievance against the committee alleging violations of contract terms by using an A/B alternating day schedule at Andover High School in the 1998-99 school year.

School Committee members voted 3-2 in December, 1999 to approve an addendum to the teachers contract that included the terms of the settlement. ("Teachers' contract extended," *Townsmen*, Dec. 23, 1999, page 11).

Committee members

Dick Collins, Skip Eccles and Tina Girdwood approved the addendum, while McCarron and Chairman Eric Nadworny voted against it.

"I have a real problem with this being put forth as promoting educational excellence, because it doesn't. It's a settlement of a grievance because three members (of the School Committee) didn't want to go to arbitration. It's a one-year buyout," McCarron said after the press conference at the Andover High School television studio Tuesday.

Superintendent of Schools Dr. Claudia L. Bach, who announced with a group of school leaders the terms of the settlement, said it included a one-time payment of \$37,500 to high school teachers.

She added that the union and administrators have come to an understanding on educational issues and abandoned the confrontational nature of

their past relations.

The two groups agreed their educational priorities are to support the budget, reconsider the teacher evaluation system, provide adequate planning time for teachers at all levels, encourage site-based decision making at schools and commit to bargaining in a collaborative way, Bach says.

Bach said Wednesday that she disagreed with McCarron that negotiations were focused on money and not on what is good for the system.

"I don't think the word 'buyout' was used once. The question was not 'How do we avoid arbitration?' the question was 'How do we move forward and build relationships?'" she said.

Teachers union negotiator Dr. Ron Francis, a physics teacher at AHS, says the negotiations led to better relations.

"A crisis led to us being forced to work together," he said.

Andover Education Association, the teachers' union, President Tom Meyers agreed.

"If we're confronting each other we can't confront the issues," Meyers said at the conference.

McCarron says the agreement, which included hiring three lunchroom monitors at the high school for a total of \$60,000, frees high-school teachers to plan, but it's elementary school teachers who need more planning time.

He also criticized the settlement for an additional salary increase for teachers who have 75 or more credits above a masters degree. The previous contract allowed for increases up to 60 credits, he said.

McCarron says that the premise of the increase, to attract new teachers to the system, would warrant pay increases for less experienced teachers.

"I would put it at the front end," he says.

Andover gets a 'herstory' lesson Union settlement

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what white men said in what was supposed to be a white man's world," Benkatesh says.

While many students noted Eleanor Roosevelt as a ground-breaking figure in women's politics, fourth-grader Avery Mackenzie noted the accomplishments of Abigail Adams, who toured the country with her husband President John Adams.



Photo by Carol Van Doren

First-grader Max Verette thought about who is famous in women's history, and named first First Lady Martha Washington.

While many elementary students interviewed at the Sanborn School named a variety of historical women, not all students could say why the women were famous.

Third-grader Katie Shields knew that Louisa May Alcott was an author.

Students named historical figures such as Joan of Arc and Cleopatra, along with more contemporary women such as the astronaut Krista McAuliffe and author J.K. Rowling.

Asked to identify female role models in their lives, famous or intimate, many students mentioned their mothers as "strong and independent."

Britany Spears was popular among elementary students, as were several figure skaters including Michelle Kwan.

High school sophomore Cristin Fitzgerald admires Sojourner Truth for her commitment to "women's lib," and sophomore Kaitlin Hyde admires actress and singer Jennifer Lopez.



Photo by Carol Van Doren

Sanborn 4th-grader Avery MacKenzie did a report on Abigail Adams and knew that she traveled the country with her husband, President John Adams.

"She's her own person," Hyde says.

AHS freshman Shawn Furey noted Amelia Erhardt's courage in becoming a pilot despite "oppression from men," and freshman Brendan Carr believes that without Harriet Tubman, fewer people would be free today.

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Nadworny, who could not attend the press conference, says he voted against the agreement in December because he felt the money spent on the settlement may be necessary for more important things when the budget is finalized.

"To say that (the agreement) is good or bad for someone doesn't change the fact that it's done. No one is going to win that argument," Nadworny says, comparing discussions about spending the money on a settlement to spending money in the budget, where people perpetually disagree on priorities.

Nadworny says the agreement won't be proven "good" or "bad" unless it is eventually shown that necessities were abandoned in the budget because of money being paid in the settlement.

"If we don't get what we need, then it wasn't a good resolution," he says.

McCarron says he supported the 3.5-percent increase in the agreement because it was awarded to all teachers, not just high-school teachers.

"I would have approved 4 percent," he says.

Meyers said he won't deny that the agreement included a financial component, but maintains that the agreement includes measures, like formations of committees to tackle issues, that address education.

"To me, it is all about education," Meyers said Wednesday.

"Mr. McCarron didn't really participate in the process. Maybe there is a lack of understanding on his part about the agreement," Meyers said.

McCarron, an eighth-grade teacher at the Frost School in Lawrence, finishes his first three-year term on the School Committee this month.

He has announced that he does not plan to run for reelection.

"I'm not happy to leave on this note, but I'd literally lose sleep if I didn't say something. It's not in the best interests of anybody and certainly not the people in the community and their kids," he says.

Herstory at Merrimack College

Events are also scheduled in honor of Women's history month at Merrimack College.

A luncheon panel Tuesday March 7 will discuss college and career experiences. A lecture Wednesday, March 8, by political philosopher Jean Bethke Elshtain will discuss lessons of St. Augustine, and a dinner March 9 will include a discussion on "Women and Lifelong Learning."

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LUNCH MENUS

Here's what's for lunch in the Andover public schools the week of March 6-10:

Elementary schools

Monday: Stir fry chicken, baked chicken nuggets, french toast and sausage, carrots, applesauce, pudding with whipped cream and milk.

Tuesday: Boxed fruit lunch, hot dog on a roll, slice of pizza with salad, green beans, pears and milk.

Wednesday: Roast pork dinner, bagel pizza with salad, shoestring chicken with fries, corn, raisins and milk, Lucky Tray Day.

Thursday: Spaghetti and meatballs with salad, french toast and sausage, pizza dippers with sauce, peas, peaches and milk.

Friday: Baked macaroni and cheese, baked chicken nuggets, pizza stick with soft pretzel, green beans, pears and milk.

Doherty Middle School

Monday: Stir fry chicken, stuffed crust pizza, baked chicken nuggets, fruit, veggie and milk.

Tuesday: Roast pork dinner, bagel french toast, cheeseburger with fries, fruit, veggie and milk.

Wednesday: Barbecue chicken, with mashed potato, stuffed crust pizza, nachos with taco, meat and cheese, fruit, veggie and milk.

Thursday: Spaghetti and meatballs, egg omelet with bagel, chicken McSchool, fruit, veggie and milk.

Friday: Steak and cheese sub, with fries, baked chicken nuggets, fruit, veggie, and milk.

Secondary schools

Monday: Stir fry chicken, pasta with meatballs, stuffed crust pizza, fruit, veggie and milk.

Tuesday: Roast pork dinner, pasta with garlic and butter, stuffed crust pizza, fruit, veggie and milk.

Wednesday: Egg McMuffin, pasta with meatballs, stuffed crust pizza, fruit, veggie and milk.

Thursday: Barbecue chicken, pasta with garlic and butter, stuffed crust pizza, fruit, veggie and milk.

Friday: Two toasted cheese sandwiches with soup, pasta with meatballs, stuffed crust pizza, fruit, veggie and milk.

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West Middle students named to second-term honor roll

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Bolster, Rachel
Brahma, Neil Anjan
Caverly, Alison Catherine
Cerullo, Melissa Rose
Donoghue, Kathryn Elizabeth
Durkin, Ryan Walter
Dwulet, Elizabeth Jacqueline
Easton, Michelle Anne
Feigenbaum, James Joseph
Fusco, Giancarlo Carmine

Ganek, Danielle Erin
Gibson, Michael Philip
Gold, Ariel Sara
Harrison, Rane Alexander
Hayes, Lauren Mae
Holstein, David Nathan
Huang, Jessica Lily
Johnson, Meredith Anne
Kleinman, Jacob William
Koch, Nia Dwywen
Koeninger, Federike
Kostakis, Stamatia Olga
Kurkul, Ryan William
Lewis, Megan Barker
McPartland, Brian Patrick
McSweeney, Christine Marie
Merinder, Meagan
Miliotis, Alexandra Jane
Miller, Carolyn Ruth
Murphy, Marianne Margaret
Nordblom, Todd Strong
Noury, Hassina

Pakravan, Natasha Rebecca
Rosensweig, Daniel Levi
Russell, Stephen Thomas
Schmidt, Meredith Avery
Stewart, Amy Elizabeth
Therkelsen, Carly Anne
Timko, Lindsey Brooke
Toomey, Lynette Marie
Traub, Alyssa Evans
Travers, Christopher Smith
Vieira, Lauren Michelle
Wise, Kelly Anne
Yang, Amy Zhengjun
Yao, Katherine Victoria

HONORS

Balets, David Gregory
Berger, Laura Elizabeth
Branca, Sean Michael
Casey, Christina Annmarie
Conley, Joseph Kevin
Crowley, Elizabeth Anne

DeLeo, Jonathan Michael
Desmond, Ryan Denning
Edelstein, Jason Lawrence
Foley, Alexander Francis
Gaimari, Caroline Rose
Giordano, Elisa Ellen
Gonzalez, Luis Albert
Guidoboni, Jessica Marie
Guy, Daniel Xenophon
Halks, Nicholas Alexander
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Miliotis, Arianna Rae
Millerick, Kaitlyn Ireton
Mohan, Tara Lynne
Morissette, Gregory Gene
Murphy, Margaret Anne
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Shin, Julia
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Tomaszewski, Benjamin
Viscosi, Michael David
Wadbrook, Brittany Rose
Walsh, Stacey Lynn
Washington, Douglas Allen
Whiting, Bradford St. John
Wolfman, Matthew Lytle
Zonghetti, Christopher Scott

Brennan, Matthew Sean
Caro, Nicholas John
Chang, Stephen Ting
Chari, Roopa Lakshmi
Chomicz, Amanda Marie Blai
Coiro, Andrea
Coleman, Erin Kathleen
Davis, Jennifer Marie
Day, Alexander John
Delaney, Caitlin Marie
Dlesk, Jennifer Janette
Espy, Caryn Rachel
Fleming, Robert William
Flemming, Heather Leigh
Ginsberg, Erica
Gladstein, Katie Jill
Greenspan, Elena
Grobicki, Lauren Marie
Hennessy, Richard Matthew
Hsieh, Brian
Hung, Christina Jane
Korte, Erin Margaret
Leclerc, Daniel Andrew
Mackay, Skye Marie
Magnan, Jessica
Maguire, Jeffrey Brad
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Mohammed, Layalah
Moriarty, Brittany Dean
Nill, Allison Phyllis
Palermo, Jennifer
Pinksten, Kristen Marie
Rabbani, Ayesha Riaz
Ravens, Daniel Patrick
Richard, Jodi Sara
Rosenblatt, Claudia Rachelle
Saunders, Erin Suzanne
Sebasky, Carolyn Marie
Shields, Jessie Dewell
Shu, Andrew Nianwei

Tenney, Angela Eleanor
Teperow, Matthew Adam
Thandi, Pardeep Singh
Toland, Caitlin Marguerite
Trageser, Alice Jayne
Weiner, Joshua Matthew
Wiley, Leslie Joanna
Wuehrmann, Geoffrey Kent
Yu, Paul Edward

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Cogliano, Elana
Cohen, Danielle Susan
Corbin, Richard Michael
Dagan, Mai
Davidson, Lindsay Ellen
Dougherty, Olivia Howe
Eichman, George William
Elias, Lauren Katherine
Farnham, Mark Raymond
Felden, Ryan Gregory
Ferreira, Eric
Fosse, Erik Christopher
Fox, John Corliss
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Goldstein, Sarah Pearl
Gostanian, Zachary George
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Sandman, Zachary David
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Slovins, Elissa Michelle
Swoboda, Mark Charles
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Upton, Whitney Anne
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Zhao, Sophia

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Betty, Koren Lee
Bicking, Katherine Emily
Boudreau, Andrew Lecompte
Boumil, Sylvester James
Brady, Hannah Caitlin

Panel to discuss competition, youth sports

Parent-to-Parent will present a special panel discussion Tuesday, March 7, on the nature of competition entitled "Children Competing in Youth Sports in Andover."

The discussion will be held from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at West Middle School Auditorium.

Bob Montgomery, former Red Sox catcher and WSBK/Channel 38 color commentator for Red Sox games, will serve as moderator of a panel made up of community leaders who have spent considerable time involved in youth sports in Andover.

Discussion will center around the pros and cons of youth sports and critical barriers to competition. Promoting excellence at early ages rather than inclusion, premature selection procedures, unbalanced coaching, overuse of the professional sports model, sport elimination and cutting, overzealous parents, and the experience of sport as fun will be explored.

The session will conclude with essential guidelines and recommendations by the panelists followed by open questions.

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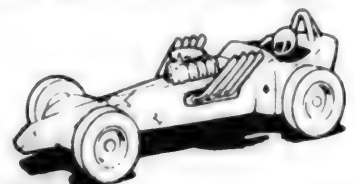
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Three in the running for two selectmen seats

This week, the Townsman's Neil Fater profiles candidates for selectmen — one of the two major contested offices in town this year. There is no contest for School Committee. Next week, the paper will profile candidates for the Andover Housing Authority, and also present candidate responses to questions from the League of Women Voters.

Brian Major

Since dressing up as one of Santa's helpers for a birthday party 10 years ago, incumbent Selectman Brian Major has volunteered as a helper every Christmas season.

"It's easy for me to give something like that, and it turns out to be my Christmas," he says.

And after 10 years he's learned a thing or two. For instance, Major's Santa suit has air vents, an inside pocket for car keys, Velcro to hold the stomach padding in place and zippered boots.

"I'm very systematic about what I ask people to do," he says. "I always make a lot of noise outside with the bells and 'Ho, ho, ho.' I have the kids invite me in so they are comfortable."

Major figures that after three years as a selectman, he's learned a thing or two at that, as well.

That's why he says he wants to be reelected, to continue being "a strong leader for the town, and a strong advocate for the people."

Background

Major moved to Andover in 1992 because his wife grew up here, and soon became involved as an adult member of Andover's new youth council.

A former district chairman for the Merrimack Valley Boy Scouts program, Major continues to support an expansion of Youth Services.

Soon, the father of a 27-month-old daughter will also be supporting an expanded family.

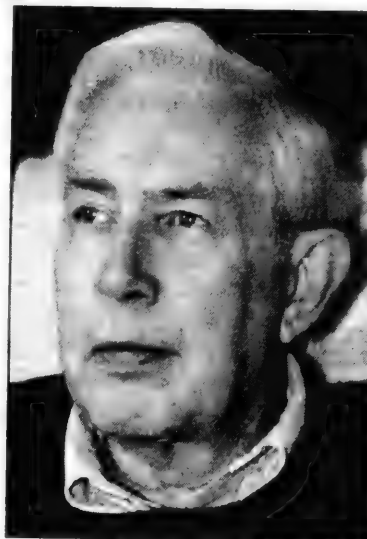
Major holds the rare distinction of being a politician who could receive a new child and a new term in the same day. His wife Margaret is due with their second child the week of the election.

Major says they don't want to know the gender of the child beforehand.

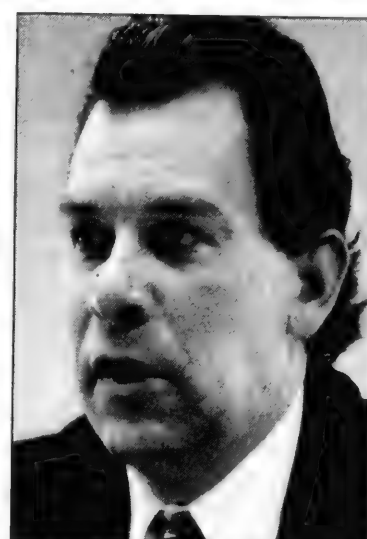
"We'll wait and see what blessing comes," says Major. "There's so few surprises and this is one that's neat to wait



Brian Major



Donald Robb



Ted Teichert

Ranking the board, by the adjectives

By Neil Fater

When residents go to the polls March 28, they'll be choosing two of three selectmen candidates with widely different views of the town's top officials.

Incumbent Brian Major believes the group is doing a good job. Challenger Ted Teichert seems to agree, but expresses concern about the

importance of making difficult choices as tax bills continue to rise. Don Robb offers the most scathing commentary, saying the group has lacked focus and planning capability.

Here are the adjectives the three use to describe the leadership offered by the current selectmen and town manager:

Brian Major (incumbent)

Energetic

"The leadership really dives into the problems and tries to come up with a solid resolution to them."

Caring

"Any time you have an issue come before the board, there's always the nuts and bolts of the issue. You do something or you don't. There's also the human-interest side. I believe we have people right now who truly care about the effect of decisions on people."

Responsive

"We're trying to really focus on the issues that come up so that they're not issues that come up year after year after year."

Donald Robb

Reactive

"That's where I'd like to see a change. I think we need to be providing more of the vision."

All-encompassing

"Every time an idea is presented, there's a tendency to nod our heads and say, 'Yeah, that's a good idea.' It's very hard for public officials to say, 'No.' But I think one of the responsibilities of the board is to weigh one request against all the others. Some things, we may need to postpone, and some things we may not be able to do at all."

Premature

"Sometimes ideas get presented to Town Meeting before they are thought out fully. If you're going to bring something to Town Meeting you need to do your homework. (and) be prepared not only for the reasonable questions, but the unreasonable ones."

Ted Teichert

Concerned

"I think they're concerned about the people. I think it's difficult, maybe, deciding which priorities to put in line. There's hard decisions when you look at the budget."

Caring

"The town is growing. You're dealing with more problems and bigger issues. The town is different then it was when I was growing up."

"They're doing their best. They're trying. It's hard to please everybody. I'm not running because I'm anti-board. They're like you and me."

should tax to the max for the next three years to put an extra \$750,000 into the existing stabilization fund.

He says this money should then be used to pay some of the high debt costs expected during the first few years of debt payment if Andover builds the two new schools and safety center.

If he didn't achieve these goals after three years, would his term be a failure?

"If we can't get the support that we need for the schools, that's a failure," he says. "We can't get complacent. We're close enough that you have to keep moving right through the finish line, and that includes the debt-exclusion vote."

Donald Robb

Some folks have imaginary friends. For a while, selectman hopeful Don Robb and his wife Victoria wanted grandchildren so badly they created "imaginary grandchildren."

As a joke, they even gave them names, he says. One Christmas, the six adult Robb children came home and laughed at the site of little stockings with the names of the imaginary grandkids on them, hanging on the fireplace.

"We don't need them anymore because now we have (Robb's first grandkid) Jack, and Jack's little brother, who will arrive sometime in June," says Robb, happy at finally being a granddad.

So Robb has stopped worrying about stuffing stockings, and instead is looking for residents to stuff the ballot box in his support.

The reason they should is because of his experience, he says.

He was a member of the Declining Enrollment Committee that helped turn Doherty Elementary into Doherty Middle, a member of the School Committee when Proposition 2½ took effect, and a member of the Finance Committee for nearly all of the 1990s. He quit the FinCom in December to run for selectmen.

"There are very few people on the town boards who have experience in how to handle it when things aren't going so well (economically). The only people on the town boards who were on them the last time things weren't going so well are (the FinCom's) Joanne Mar-

Three-year goals

Assuming Major is reelected, he says he has three main goals he wants completed by the end of his second term.

He wants to walk into the two new schools and see them being used by students, he wants to walk into a new safety center, and he wants Andover to have created a stabilization fund solid enough to be tapped.

Specifically, Major says the town

for."

He indicates that the arrival of the baby will add another party to his frequent birthday-cake-eating schedule.

Together, Brian and Margaret Major have 10 siblings in the area, and the families frequently get together.

"You can't beat it. We always have big parties for all the birthdays," he says. "Most of the major holidays are at the parents' homes. It's nice."

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den and myself," he says.

Although he has spent more than two decades in town government, and is a self-described "town government junkie," Robb does have several outside interests.

For instance, he's interested in theater, and used to direct and produce shows for the Andover Community Theater.

"The first time a local group ever used the Collins Center, it was a production of *The Music Man* I directed," he says. Because of the various ages involved, he says, "It made it a great community launch of the Collins Center."

Robb also directed the first show inside Old Town Hall on Main Street when it reopened following renovations.

He and his wife, Vicky, were named volunteers of the year for camping service at the YMCA last year. Vicky and several of his children still get up regularly at 5 a.m. and head off to the Y to swim. (Don Robb walks the dog.)

Finally, as the sales and marketing VP for Charlesbridge Publishing's education publishing division, Robb has also written a children's book on the presidency called *Hail to the Chief*. It's meant for 8- and 9-year-old readers, and

will be published this month.

Why now?

Robb says he decided to run for office because of the bait-and-switch he believes selectmen tried to pull with the proposed Shawsheen lights. Although a vote at Town Meeting was stated as a vote for "lighting for ice skating," selectmen later tried to install light towers for larger playing fields.

"The reason I got involved with that is not so much I don't want the lights there. From here (his York Street home) I will not see them," he says. "But I saw that a decision was made outside of a public meeting. It was presented to Town Meeting with one rationale and as soon as Town Meeting was over, it was (given) another rationale."

Robb and his wife eventually became two of 10 people to sue the town over the issue, and ultimately the town brought the lights decision back to Town Meeting for a vote on the light towers. It was defeated.

"We can't do things like that. We have to change that type of old-boy network that says, 'OK, you do this, I'll do that.' We have to do it in a public fashion," he says.

Robb has more critical words for the current selectmen, believing they failed to provide enough leadership in both the senior center and youth center efforts. He says the board as a whole should

have taken a vote early in the process to outline where it wanted to town to be headed, instead of relying on seniors to raise the money for their center or on individual selectmen to work on youth projects in private.

He says within a couple months of his election he would ask the board to begin taking a final position on what they favor for both projects.

First-term goals

If Robb is elected, he also wants to see three things accomplished by the end of his first term.

He wants the two new, properly built schools ready for students, he wants the town to create long-range plans, and he wants the safety center completely correctly.

Robb says there would not be so many private citizen articles seeking things such as sidewalks if the town created reasonable, long-range plans based on community input.

Robb notes that a recent financial presentation showed that if the entire Capital Improvement Plan is approved, the town will be \$11 million in the red within five years.

"That says you've got to plan," he says. "That's the kind of thing that can only be done by the three boards — FinCom, Selectmen, School Committee — working together."

As the only candidate who's served

on two of those boards, Robb believes he can make that happen.

"I think I have more experience in the various aspects of town government from 10 years on the School Committee and nine years on the FinCom," he says. "I've had not only time, but different experiences."

Ted Teichert

When 38-year-old selectman hopeful Ted Teichert was a kid growing up in Andover, he liked spending time downtown.

"You had the supermarket, and you'd get candy downtown, and you went to the Andover Spa to get your baseball cards," he says. "There wasn't another area of town with stores. This was it."

Though the downtown has changed since then, Teichert believes Andover has retained the small-town charm of his youth. But Teichert also believes Andover is going through growing pains — and thinks he could ease that pain if elected selectman.

Teichert, who is married and has 12-year-old and 7-month-old daughters, says no specific issue fueled his decision to run.

He approaches the selectman role as he does his other community roles, as Andover Junior Football League president and vice-chairman of the Millennium Committee.

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"I'm willing to help, to do what I can do," he says. "I want to be a part of Andover's future and guide it along."

But Teichert's reasons for running may have been altered in December when he fell off his roof and was critically wounded. Still going through physical therapy, Teichert says he learned the typical lessons from the near-fatal experience.

"You can't let the little things bother you," he says. "Enjoy what you have."

However, he says the fall also made him appreciate what he has, and what previous generations have done to give him those things.

Teichert says he realizes selectmen have the chance to provide positive, new memories for future Andover residents, and he wants to lay the groundwork for such memories.

"If they could ever get this youth center built, or senior center built, I think people will look back and say, 'I'm glad I could experience that particular place,'" he says. "If people can think back and enjoy themselves, to me, that's the birthday cake."

Teichert wants to be one of the bakers.

Background

Until now, Teichert has done much of his "cooking" on the gridiron.

As a former player, and assistant coach, coach, vice president and current two-time president of the town's youth football program, Teichert is familiar with running programs for youth.

He believes selectmen should improve Andover by promoting more programs, saying, "It's an ongoing thing of making things better, providing different programs, providing help. You can't be content with one thing."

He points to the town's millennium party as the type of successful event he's been involved with, and would support as a selectman.

"It just seemed people there were having a good time. To see people there in the winter, I don't think the town's ever had anything like that," he says. "That's what I'd like to see a lot of."

As a youth-league president, former downtown business owner and Andover High grad, Teichert indicates he has some intimate knowledge of the town's problems.

"Here's where the whole field issue comes up. I have six football teams that use that field at Doherty. Am I complaining? No," he says. "Those other

organizations deserve the space as much as we do. But what do you do?"

"I take the attitude of working with what you have and seeing what you can do, not what you can't do," he says. Later, he adds, "I've been in the trenches. I grew up here. My family grew up here. I have brothers and sisters who live here. I had a downtown business."

While in favor of creating new programs, Teichert sees education as the town's top priority. He says the town should address the needs of senior citizens and youth.

"That's the future. The seniors were the future once and look what they have today. For them, the future is now," he says. "With the youth, you want them to look back and say, 'Look what I had,' like I do."

"You can't change the past, you can only change the future."

First-term goal

Speaking of the future, unlike his opponents, Teichert does not mention building specific facilities or programs when asked what he wants to see completed by the end of his first term.

Three years from now, he says, "I'd like to see the people's response that they feel they can communicate with the board and they feel their concerns were addressed."

"A couple of things that are important to me overall would be education, communication, and also building a better environment for seniors and youth," says Teichert.

He says he wants to hear about the needs for a youth and senior center.

"Even if it wasn't built by then (2003), if we could see progress," he says, "I'd like to see that done."

And if these things goals weren't accomplished after three years?

"I wouldn't call it a failure, but I'd be disappointed. You can't please everyone," he says.



Photo by Carol Van Doren

A very big birthday — Joseph Savoca, a sixth-grader at West Middle School, got a balloon bouquet delivered by a gorilla for a very special third birthday, since he was born Feb. 29, 1988.

Asthma ...

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adults.

"Several (asthmatics) allude to the proximity of the incinerator and they have been convinced that the nights they (incinerators) are more active, the patient has paid the price over the next few days," Coleman says.

The study was prompted by data collected from the Community Health Network Association of Greater Lawrence, (CHINA 11), which showed that pediatric asthma was the highest rate of incidence of all diseases tracked in the area in 1998, according to Andover's Director of Public Health, Everett Penney, who is also advising DPH on the study.

The study will examine the relationship between asthma and air pollution from incinerators and other industrial sources, motor vehicle exhaust and other sources, Pawelec says.

They are expected to deliver a progress report to the federal government in the spring, she says, but won't have much information since data-gathering has been stalled by the privacy issue.

"It's a good part of why we're off schedule, but we're not saying we can't make up this delay. We're simply saying we need to resolve this issue as quickly as possible," she says.

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Phillips ...

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model, pledged to take responsibility for his actions and asked for forgiveness.

Administrators says Tripp was well-known, well-liked, and touched the lives of nearly everyone on campus.

"Zack had a talent for friendship," says a Phillips Academy statement.

He is survived by his parents, Caroline and Ray W. Tripp

III; a brother, Owen, of Acton; a brother, Simon, of Medford; and a sister, Katherine Bowers, of Santa Monica, Calif.

Parents and friends eulogized him as a person who lived with vitality and loved to debate.

Tripp was co-head of the Philomathean Society, the school's debate club, played intramural sports and played the oboe in academy symphony orchestra.

Students were notified of the death in dorm meetings Thursday night at 9:30, the beginning

of a sleepless night of grieving and gathering for many students and staff, according to a letter to students and parents from Head of School Barbara Landis Chase.

An all-school meeting was held Friday morning, and classes were canceled for the day. The brief Friday morning service of music and prayers included a performance of *Amazing Grace*, and a piano performance by a student, Will Chan, Chase said in a letter to parents that was posted on the school's Web page.

School faculty and staff with the help of Max Alovise, head of psychological services, worked through the weekend to support students.

Chase said athletic events scheduled for the weekend were canceled, including the school's final hockey game against arch-rival Phillips Exeter. She and her husband opened their home to students to visit and talk Friday and Saturday nights, where hundreds gathered each night, "to talk, to cry, and to be together. By Saturday night, the mood was notably calmer," Chase said.

In the emotional interest of students, final exams were canceled and the winter term will end tomorrow, Chase said. Exams for winter term would have concluded by March 23.

A memorial service at Cochran Chapel was scheduled for Wednesday afternoon, after *Townsmen* press time.

The boys who were living in Draper Cottage, where Tripp lived, have been given sleeping quarters in the health center for the rest of the term, she said.

The *Phillipian*, the student-run weekly newspaper on campus, pulled its edition last Friday because the staff was unable to cover the event.

The edition also included a letter to the editor from Tripp criticizing the paper's recent coverage of itself for a change in leadership.

Since Friday's edition was never released, a new version of the *Phillipian* was printed Wednesday, in place of the Fri-

day, Feb. 25 edition.

The format of the paper was slightly modified to accommodate an expanded commentary section dedicated to anecdotes and remembrances of Zach by his friends and family.

Tripp was remembered in the lead, front-page article for his passion for debate and dialogue, a love of music and sports.

"Tripp was a tireless and talented participant in all areas of campus life — as an oboist in the Academy Orchestra, a champion debater, a leader on his baseball team and an enthusiastic fixture in classroom discussion," wrote *Phillipian* staffers Paige Austin and Ross Perlin.

"His recent choice to resign as school president because of disciplinary trouble led Tripp to a new chapter in his PA career, one to which his peers welcomed him as a model of maturity and accountability. Though the move was not an easy one for Tripp, he firmly displayed both poise and courage through the trying ordeal."

The paper also reported that, as school government president, Tripp sought to promote better student-faculty exchange and collaboration.

"He was realistic, but he was always looking to build bridges," the paper reported in a comment from Albert Cauz, Tripp's upper-year Spanish teacher.

According to the *Phillipian*, Tripp's former Spanish teacher Emilio Mozo was one of many faculty and students to appreciate Tripp's debating skills.

"If Zack got into an argument with someone, that argument went on for days," he said.

Tripp's longtime faculty confidant, history and social science teacher Dr. Chris Shaw, agreed.

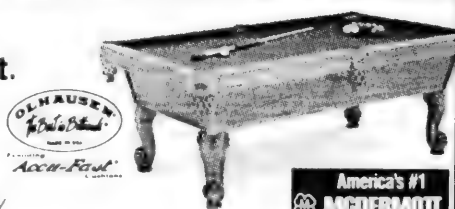
"He'd argue you blue in the face, but he was very giving," Shaw told the *Phillipian*.

The issue also includes an obituary, a story on the resulting schedule changes and media coverage.

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Tucker files bill on suicide prevention

As students gathered on the campus of Phillips Academy Monday to grieve the loss of Zachary Tripp, a senior who committed suicide last week, state legislators considered a bill to create a commission to reduce incidence of suicide.

In response to Surgeon General Dr. David Satcher's call for making mental health and suicide prevention a priority for the country, state Sen. Sue Tucker, D-Andover, filed Bill 4923 to form a commission of state officials, including the commissioners of public health, education, elder affairs and youth services, and mental health advocates.

The group would be charged with developing a plan to reduce the state's suicide

rate.

"My vision is that this Commission would do a state 'blueprint,' which echoes the Surgeon General's call to action on the federal level. However, local people as well as state leaders would be involved," she says.

According to the American Society for Suicide Prevention, the suicide rate for white males between ages 15 and 24 has tripled since 1950.

In the last 15 years, the suicide rate for children ages 10 to 14 has doubled, and the rate for African-American males ages 15 to 24 has increased more than 60 percent.

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and Lodgen in Boston, representing Andover, said the EFSB should not award Nickel Hill a permit because the company does not own the property, failed to provide enough information about alternative operating methods and has not adequately reported on potential noise the plant would create.

In addition to environmental concerns, Muldoon said the EFSB should not consider Nickel Hill for the project because the developers have "no legally cognizable interest" in the property.

"It is customary for the owner and proposed developer to incorporate or make an agreement, lease or purchase and sale option. But the record is absolutely barren of that report. That is not a mere technicality. It's the reality of the law in Massachusetts," Muldoon said.

Nickel Hill developer Tom Favinger said Nickel Hill and Brox Properties have executed an agreement that gives exclusive negotiating rights of the property to Nickel Hill.

Nickel Hill's attorney, David Rosenzweig of Keegan, Werlin & Pabian of Boston, said the agreement between Brox and Nickel Hill qualifies the company for legal definition of "applicant."

"There can be no serious question in this area," he told siting board officials at the hearing.

Muldoon also cited several environmental concerns echoed by attorneys for the MVRE and others opposed to the plant.

Most of same concerns were noted in the response from the state Department of Envi-

ronmental Protection to Nickel Hill's Final Environmental Impact Report.

The response from the state requires Nickel Hill to supply more information about air vs. water cooling technologies, the ability to use SCONOX (or ammonia-free) pollution control, and the potential effects of noise created by the plant.

Muldoon, a former conservation commission member and vice president of the Conservation Law Foundation, asked EFSB members to consider the effects of the project on the region, and not just Dracut.

"It will be a small comfort to the town of Dracut, knowing the tennis courts, the gymnasiums, and lower taxes outweigh the health concerns, if this board allows it to go forward," Muldoon said.

Andover resident and attorney Christopher Vrontas spoke to officials as an attorney for MVRE, and later privately as an "interested party" to power plant proceedings.

He questioned the credibility of several Nickel Hill consultants who testified earlier in the EFSB hearings.

"They couldn't tell me what the power plant would sound like. We still don't have the specifics," Vrontas said.

He recounted question-and-answer sessions with Nickel Hill consultants, at times lending a dramatic, officious voice to answers reportedly given by Nickel Hill.

MVRE attorney Syl Boumil also questioned the credibility of Nickel Hill's witnesses.

He called on board members to protect citizens of the area from the power plant, and characterized the plant as a bomb the EFSB has the power to withhold, or drop onto the

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But the foundation of these and the overwhelming majority of proposals in the Blueprint is, you guessed it, more money. Here's just part of that list:

- The MTA says teachers should be treated like professionals. Yet when it comes to duties that professionals do as part of the job — working with interns (student teachers) or mentoring younger teachers — the union immediately reverts to wanting its members to be treated like hourly employees with "adequate" additional compensation. No specifics on what adequate is.

- Teachers should be paid a "competitive" salary, and therefore the state-mandated minimum starting salary for teachers should be raised. A spokesman for the union says starting salaries now average about \$26,000, and should be in the \$35,000 range. He says the upper end of the salary structure also lags well behind the private sector, and therefore should be increased significantly, although the union has not provided specifics there.

- The state must fund an "equitable" retirement system. No specifics on what "equitable" is.

- Districts should provide teachers with "high-quality, no-cost" professional develop-

ment. No-cost for the teachers, that is, not for the rest of us.

- The state should provide more money for early childhood education.

- All school districts should offer full-day kindergarten programs.

- The state should require, and provide money for, smaller class sizes in grades K-3 — "somewhere between 15 and 20 students."

- The state should "significantly increase" funding for school building assistance.

How much would all this cost? MTA president Steve Gorrie gives only a hint in a cover letter accompanying the Blueprint.

All that new money already pouring into education only "cushioned the blow from rising enrollments and gave a real boost to our poorer communities," he writes.

"But we can't stop there. There is much, much more that needs to be done ..." In other words, there is much, much more to be spent.

It would be nice to know how much more. Massachusetts taxpayers want excellence in education. They are willing to pay a lot to get it. They already have.

But when more than double the dollars is only viewed as a start, this is a reform that is starting to sound like the Big Dig.

Of course, whenever anybody starts complaining about the cost of education, they are told that they "don't care about children," because all this money is "for the children."

But somehow, all that money invariably ends up in the pockets of adults.

If the union is truly serious about how critical their demands are, let's see the bill — the entire bill.

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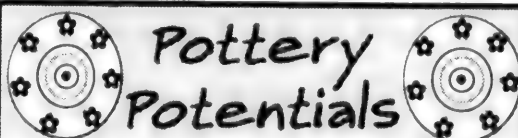
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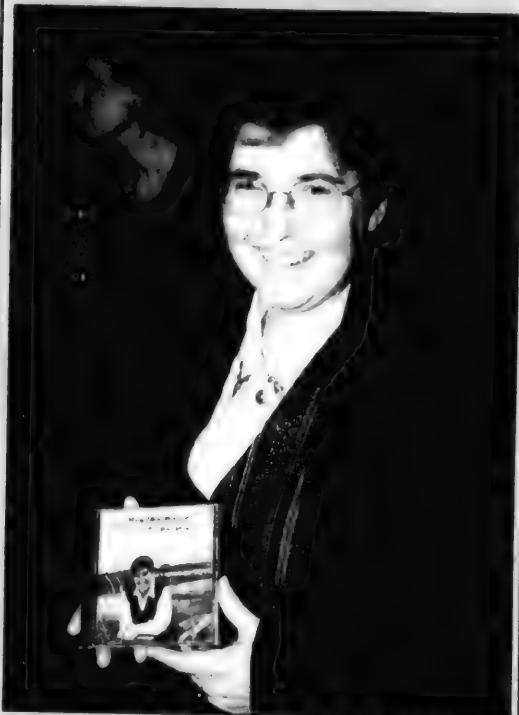


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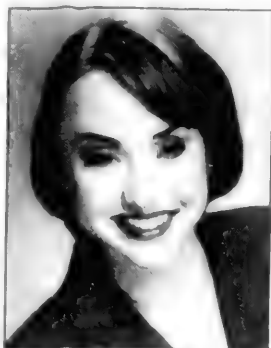
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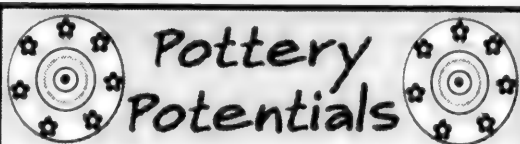
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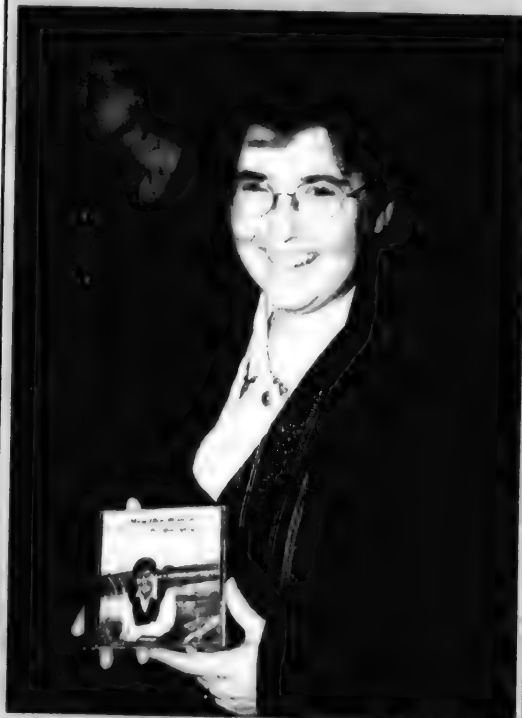


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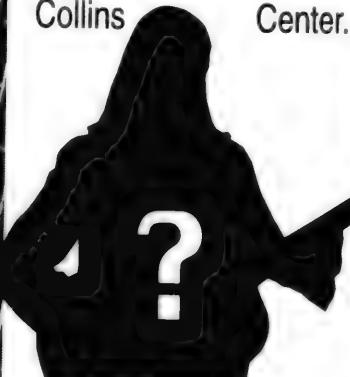
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Phillips: Beethoven's 'Mass in C Major' part of tonight's concert

Tonight, Thursday, March 2 at 7 p.m. the Phillips Academy Cantata Choir and Chamber will give a performance of Beethoven's *Mass in C Major* and two orchestral works by Antonio Vivaldi: the *Double Guitar Concerto* and the *Concerto for violin in f minor, (Winter)* from *The Four Seasons*.

The free, public concert will take place Cochran Chapel on the Phillips Academy campus, 180 Main St. Cochran Chapel is handicapped accessible.

The Vivaldi *Double Guitar Concerto* features Joshua Williams '03 and faculty member Peter Lorenzo as soloists. The Vivaldi *Concerto for violin in f minor* features James Shin '01, Bjorn Buschan '01 and Kathryn Cash '01 as soloists. The

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Beethoven's *Mass in C Major*, composed in 1807, was written to honor Princess Marie Hermenigild von Liechtenstein, the wife of Prince Nikolaus Esterhazy, a Hungarian nobleman who ranked high in the diplomatic circles of the Austrian empire. Nameday masses were an annual tradition started by Prince Nikolaus with his long-time head court musician, Franz Joseph Haydn.

These masses were performed at the Sunday service on or following the Princess' nameday in a chapel close to

their palace.

Any inquiries regarding this performance may be directed to the Phillips Academy music department, (978) 749-4995 or to <music@andover.edu>.

If at first you don't succeed...

The first performance of Beethoven's *Mass in C* did not go well. The performers rebelled at having to work with a deaf composer. They skipped rehearsals, and ultimately, the performance failed.

Prince Esterhazy formed a bad opinion of the work and it fell into obscurity. *The Mass in C Major* is now recognized as a masterpiece of sacred music, and fortunately for concert-goers, it is now often performed.

The Phillips Academy Cantata Choir and Chamber Orchestra have performed major choral works such as Handel's *Israel in Egypt*, *Esther*, and *Hercules*; Bach's *St. John Passion*, *St. Matthew Passion*, and numerous cantatas; Haydn's *The Creation*, *The Seasons*, among others.

Concert band ushers out winter term

On Sunday, March 5 at 3 p.m. the Phillips Academy music department will present the Phillips Academy Concert Band and ensembles in concert.

This event, free and open to the public, will take place in the Cochran Chapel located on the Phillips Academy campus, 180 Main St.

The Concert Band, under the direction of Vincent Monaco, will feature *French Suite* by Darius Mihaud, and *Under the Admiral's Flag* by Julius Fucik.

L'Insieme di Lunedì Sera, also under the baton of Vincent Monaco, will play *The Blue and The Gray*, a Civil War suite by Clare Grundman.

The Academy Brass Ensemble, under the direction of Robin Milinazzo, will play *Adagio, K. 411* by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart.

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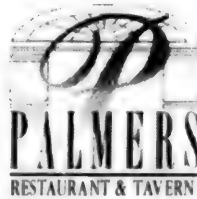
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The program will begin with a wine-and-cheese reception followed by demonstrations of fake marbling, wood graining, distressed backgrounds, patina wash, *trompe l'oeil* and landscapes. "People attending will be able to watch a master craftsman create several panels beginning at about 5:30 p.m." say organizers.

The Whistler is located at 243 Worthen St., one block off Dutton Street, between Market Street and Broadway in Lowell. Admission is free for members of the Whistler, \$3 for non-members. For more information or directions, call (978) 452-7641.

Women's 'Reflections'

The Whistler House Museum will also open its spring 2000 season with a group exhibition featuring the works of eight regional artists, including Andover's Carol Boileau.

The exhibit, Reflections: The Annual Women's Show, will run from March 5 through April 16.

An artists' reception will take place on Sunday, March 5, from 2 to 4 p.m. The public is invited.

Museum hours are Wednesday through Saturday, 11-4 p.m. For more information, contact the museum at (978) 452-7641.

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In addition to displaying works of contemporary artists, the museum exhibits works from its permanent collection of American artists from the 19th and early 20th centuries.

Orchestra set to pop, in Lowell

The Boston Pops Esplanade Orchestra and conductor Keith Lockhart will return to Lowell Memorial Auditorium Friday, April 7, at 8 p.m. This is the fourth year the Tewksbury Rotary has brought the Pops to Lowell, says President Judy Fitzpatrick.

"We've enjoyed the close relationship with the Tewksbury Rotary Club for the past four years," said Lockhart in a release. "The audience has always been an enthusiastic one and very receptive. This is indeed a marvelous opportunity for the Pops to meet with the communities outside the city of Boston."

Tickets range from \$45 to



Pop goes the camera — Lockhart and Fitzpatrick

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Laugh, cluck like a chicken

Comedy hypnotist Jim Spinnato will be appearing at the Greater Lawrence Technical School on Friday, March 10, from 7 to 9:30 p.m. The event is sponsored by the Class of 2000 and VICA/Skills USA, a student organization that includes leadership training and technical skills competitions at the local, state, national and international levels.

Advance tickets may be purchased from the advisers for \$4 in advance or \$5 on the evening of the event. This show is suggested for persons 12 and older.

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CALENDAR

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delivered by Jean Bethke, 7 p.m., free, open to the public, Cascia Hall, Merrimack College, North Andover; Jocelyne Fauerbach 837-5190.

Millennium School Research Project, viewing 3-5 p.m., see Tuesday, March 7, entry.

THURSDAY, March 9

An Evening with Louisa Adams Leavitt: A Local Woman's Life in the 1820s, in honor of Andover's Celebration of Women's History Month, the Andover Historical Society is presenting an illustrated talk by Barbara Thibault, executive director; the talk will focus on a local woman's life in the 1820s; 7 p.m., \$2 members; \$5 non-members, Andover Historical Society, 97 Main St.; call 475-2236 to register in advance.

Millennium School Research Project, viewing 3-5 p.m., see Tuesday, March 7, entry.

Comedy Palace, featuring Boston Comedy Showcase, 8 p.m., \$8, Grill 93, River Road; 1-888-TOLAUGH.

FRIDAY, March 10

Year of the Dragon Auction, sponsored by Bancroft School PTO to benefit new playground, 6:30 p.m. cocktails and silent auction, 7:30 dinner, 8:30 live auction begins; \$20, Hillview Country Club, North Reading; Aileen 474-0913.

Ross Galleries Art Auction, fundraiser sponsored by South Side Singers includes a door prize, 50/50 raffle and send-off concert by the chorus; 7 p.m., \$10 per ticket (available at the door), Old Town Hall, 20 Main St.; Steve Jankauskas 623-8830.

Reading, author Margot Livesey reading from her novel *The Missing World*, 7 p.m., free, Andover Bookstore, 89-R Main St.; Julie Carlson 475-0143.



Missing author — in action at the Andover Bookstore March 10.

Comedy hypnotist Jim Spinnato, 7-9:30 p.m., \$4 advance, \$5 at door, Greater Lawrence Technical School, 57 River Road; 686-0194.

Comedy Palace, featuring Nonna's Cruise to Nowhere, 7 p.m., \$35-\$40, Greg Carey, Joe Carroll, 9 p.m., \$12, see Thursday, March 9, entry.

SATURDAY, March 11

Herstory Hike: Walk Through Displays of Andover Women Who Made a Difference, sponsored by Shawsheen Neighborhood Girl Scouts, 1-3 p.m., free, open to all ages, Indian Ridge Reservation, parking at AHS football field on Red Spring Road (boots suggested for hike); 623-8200.

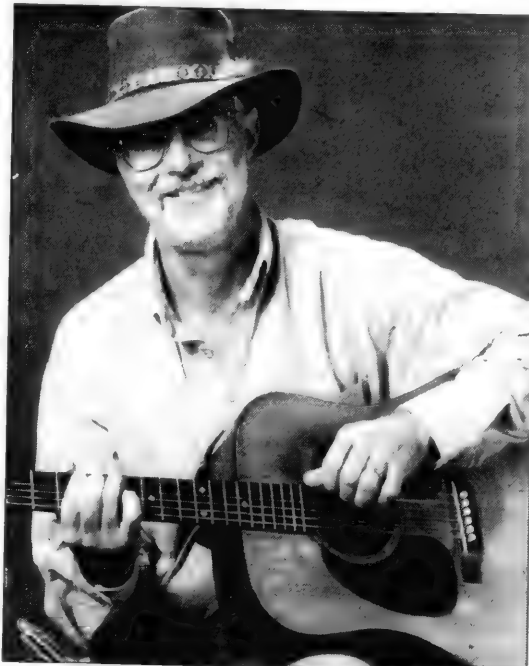
Workshop, "Why We Need Silence," 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Franciscan Center, 459 River Road; register at 851-3391.

SOPEX 2000, annual stamp show and exhibition, sponsored by Samuel Osgood Stamp Club, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., free admission and parking, BPOE Elks Lodge, 652 Andover St., Lawrence; M. C. Palmer 685-7124.

Comedy Palace, featuring Greg Carey, Joe Carroll,

8 and 10:30 p.m., \$12, The Erotic Hypnotic Joey DeVito, 10:30 p.m., \$12, see Thursday, March 9, entry.

Concert, sponsored by Crossroads Coffeehouse, featuring Bill Staines, with Taylor Whiteside opening, 8 p.m. (doors open 7:15 p.m.), \$12, North Parish Unitarian Universalist Church, 190 Academy Road, North Andover; 687-3960.



Well-billed Bill — Former Club 47 MC Bill Staines will be at the Crossroads Saturday, March 11.

SUNDAY, March 12

Ski or hike, sponsored by Appalachian Mountain Club, 3 miles Weir Hill and shores of Lake Cochichewick, North Andover, meet at 1:30 p.m., near Trustees of Reservations sign, Stevens Street; Nancy Pearle 521-9346.

Massachusetts State Judo Championships, \$2 spectator fee, West Middle School, Shawsheen Road; 474-0509.

"Images of Women" slide lecture by Miriam Butts, *Images of Women - 1670-1890: Portraits in New England Collections*, 3 p.m., meeting room, Stevens Memorial Library, 345 Main St., North Andover; Jill Barker 688-9505.

Comedy Palace, featuring Boston Comedy Showcase, 8 p.m., \$8, Grill 93, River Road; 1-888-TOLAUGH.

ONGOING

Museums and Historic Homes

Andover Historical Society permanent exhibit Amos Blanchard House and Barn Museum, containing period rooms from 1820s to 1840s, with 19th-century farm and woodworking tools, library and office hours 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Tuesday-Friday, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturdays, Mondays by appointment; \$4 adults, \$2 children, members free; Andover Historical Society, 97 Main St., 475-2236.

North Andover Historical Society, 153 Academy Road, North Andover, maintains two sites that feature museum galleries: 1789 Johnson Cottage, an artisan's home and workshop, and 1715 Parson Barnard House, depicting life from 1715-1830, 179 Osgood St. Thursdays, 2-4 p.m., permanent and changing exhibits highlight local life from the 17th- to the 20th century, library and archive, \$3 adults, \$1 children, \$2 seniors, Johnson Cottage, tours Tuesday-Friday 10 a.m.-noon and 2-4 p.m., \$5

adults for a combined tour of both properties; 686-4035.

American Textile History Museum, *Dressed for the Part: Hollywood Costumes from the Silver Screen*, through March 12, 2000, wheelchair accessible, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Saturday, Sunday and holidays, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Thursday, 9 a.m.-8 p.m., \$10 adults, \$7, seniors, students, group members; free for children under 6, 491 Dutton St., Lowell; (978) 441-0400.

Lowell National Historic Park, history of the American Industrial Revolution, guided tours of cotton and textile mills, canals, trolley rides, Pawtucket Canal Tour; Working People Exhibit at Patrick J. Mogan Cultural Center; Boott Cotton Mills Museum, open daily, 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m., \$4 adults, \$2 youth 6-16 and students, senior discount, free children 5 and under; (978) 970-5000.

Canal tours, sponsored by Lowell National Historical Park, Lowell National Historical Park Visitor Center, 246 Market St., Lowell; RSVP (978) 970-5000.

Exploring Lowell, join a ranger for a 30- to 90-minute program exploring a variety of Lowell-related topics, all tours are free, 1 p.m., Lowell National Historical Park Visitor Center, 246 Market St., Lowell; 970-5000.

New England Quilt Museum, *Last Quarter, Twentieth Century*, through March 25, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, noon-4 p.m. Sundays, \$4,

\$3 students/senior citizens, 18 Shattuck St., Lowell; (978) 452-4207.

Peabody Essex Museum, *The Real Witchcraft Papers, The Saltonstall Family Portraits, A Folk Art Sampler*, all ongoing, *Suggestive Curves, The Art of Watercraft*, through May 7, Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sunday noon-5 p.m. \$8.50 adults, \$7.50 seniors, students, \$5 children ages 6-16, free, children 5 and under, \$20 family rate, Phillips Library, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Thursday 1-8 p.m. Liberty and Essex streets, Salem; (978) 745-9500 or (800) 745-4054.

Cushing House Museum, Tuesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturdays, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., \$4 adults, \$1.50 children under 12, members free, 98 High St., Newburyport; (978) 462-2681.

Wenham Museum, *Wenham Ice Industry*, through February; *Please Be Seated: Fine Furniture Making in America*, through April 16; Tuesday-Sunday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., \$4, \$3.50 seniors, \$2 children 3 and over, handicap accessible, 132 Main St. (Route 1A), Wenham; (978) 468-2377.

Art Exhibitions

Addison Gallery of American Art, *Riding 1st Class on the Titanic! Photographs by Nathan Lyons*, through March 19, *Between Image and Object: The Prints of Robert Mangold*, through April 2, Phillips Academy campus, Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, 1-5 p.m.; (978) 749-4015.

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School of Montessori celebrating 25 years

The Andover School of Montessori, located at 400 S. Main St., celebrated its 25th birthday during February. A pictorial history of the school is displayed in the lobby and the students, staff, and families are invited to relive the life and times of ASM.

The elementary students of the Andover School of Montessori joined with their fellow student peers throughout the Town of Andover to create panels for the Millennium school research project. The students' work will be on display at Memorial Hall Library and can be viewed March 7-9, from 3-5 p.m.

WMS Teacher/Parent Breakfasts

Vicki Simms, West Middle School principal, staff and faculty, invite parents to attend a series of

teacher/parent breakfasts to be held in the West Middle School Media Center. The breakfasts will provide the setting to discuss school curriculum, after-school programs, and middle-school life in general.

The breakfasts will be held beginning at 8 a.m. as follows:

- Grade 6: Tuesday, March 7;
- Grade 7: Wednesday, March 8;
- Grade 8: Thursday, March 9.

Infant massage workshop Tuesday

The Mother Connection will sponsor an infant massage workshop Tuesday, March 7, from 1 to 3 p.m.

Infant massage is one of the easiest and most pleasant methods of providing early positive interaction with your child, organizers said. Learn easy techniques that stimulate growth and healthy develop-

ment. Massage helps your child sleep more deeply and relieves symptoms of gas and colic. Massaging you infant will make him/her more alert, active and responsive. The program is designed for you with you infant. This class is taught by a registered nurse certified in infant massage with many years of experience in the Special Care nursery and the Well Baby Clinic at Winchester Hospital.

The cost of the class is \$10 per parent and child. Register by calling Judy at 688-8589. The workshop will be held at TMC Playspace at First Calvary Baptist Church.

'Baskets' group to meet Monday

"Baskets," a support group for parents of easily frustrated, "chronically inflexible" children will meet

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Shawsheen Village Women's Club presents quilt to Historical Society celebrating Andover's 350th anniversary

The Shawsheen Village Women's Club met recently at the Andover Historical Society and enjoyed a narrative and slide show presented by Mary K. Herbol on Andover's 350 years of growth.

The Women's Club's quilt, made by several members to reflect the 75-year history of the Women's Club, was presented to the Andover Historical Society to be placed in its permanent collection of items celebrating Andover's 350th Anniversary.

The quilt is comprised of 20 squares depicting the club's changing involvement in the community and its members' changing interests during the past 75 years.

In 1994 the Women's Club engaged expert quilter Sara Eggert to assist members in planning and designing the squares to reflect the activities of the club. Some of the squares reflect the various social activities of the club, such as Audrey Cole's, which showed cards for the Round Robin. Ethel Sherman had candlepins denoting the Bowling League, and Ann Fuchs's square depicted a golfer, for the Golf League.



There were squares to represent the charitable activities of the club as well. Member Peg Massuro made the "Cap and Diploma" to represent the scholarship given annually to Andover students, and Michael Beckerman did one to reflect the club's volunteerism with U. S. Veterans.

There were several squares done by a much missed artistic member, the late Alice O'Toole. She

designed one of antiques showing the club's interest in old buildings and their furnishings. Other squares of interest were "The Crystal" done by Libby Shea, prompting many to recall dancing there many years ago. The Militia House, a replica of the one Washington slept in, located at Shawsheen Square, was designed by Patti Lou Murray.

Dorothy Innes made a square reflecting the club's 75 years between 1921-1996. Two Christmas trees were done, one by Jerry Henehan and the Brickstone Tree, a relatively new tradition, done by Ruth McBride.

Florence Yunggebauer did a square with butterflies and flowers, and Emily Cook made one with a sailboat, remembering events of the past.

The quilt was on display at Old Town Hall during the 350th Anniversary.

The club will be able to display it when members meet at the Andover Historical Society.

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"Periodontal" comes from two Greek words that mean "around the tooth." There are several types of periodontal disease, and all are started by bacteria which attack the gums, bone, and ligaments that support the teeth in the jaw. Since it is usually painless, you may not know you even have it unless you have regular dental checkups. Practice preventive care - call 475-2431 for an appointment. We offer gentle dental care for the family at 296 Lowell Street, Rt 133, with easy access off Rt 93.

P.S. About three out of four adults over the age of 35 have some form of gum disease.

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NEWS FOR SENIORS

By Pat Becker

Here are some of the activities planned at the Andover Senior Center.

New Beginners' Tai Chi Class: We will offer a 12-week beginners class on Tuesdays at 2 p.m. starting March 14. Beginners, or those with no previous tai chi experience, should feel comfortable in this level. Cost is \$48 and those wishing to register should sign-up at the center prior to the first class. Come try out this very gentle Chinese exercise, which focuses on creating balance within the mind and body.

Income Tax Preparation: Income tax preparation assistance is now available at the center four mornings a week. If you would like help in filling out your federal or state tax returns, then be sure to call the center to schedule an appointment.

Wanted: White or neutral color baskets for our spring craft sale along with packages of quick bread mixes and disposable baking tins. Donations may be brought to the center at any time.

Computer Interest Group: The computer interest group will meet on Monday, March 13 at 1:30 at the computer lab, located in the drop-in center on the first floor of Old Town Hall. Anyone interested in discussing problems, frustrations, or solutions involved in using a computer is welcome to attend.

Movie Matinee: Monday, March 13, at 1 p.m. we will show the movie *Dr. Dolittle*. NBC-TV says "You'll roar, howl, and hoot with laughter" at this story about a successful physician who has his world torn upside down by his special ability.

A Trip Down Memory Lane: You won't want to miss this theatrical performance set in Andover's Crystal Ballroom near the beginning of WWII. Come to the center on Wednesday, March 15, at 1:30 p.m. and enjoy songs, dances, and presentations from that era as Bancroft students entertain us. Complimentary tickets are available at the center, and a dessert reception will follow the performance.

Exercise Classes: Spring registration - The spring semester of exercise classes will begin their 12-week sessions the week of March 13. Anyone who is interested in participating in aerobics, tai chi, men's workout, yoga, line dance, or strength training should register at the center prior to the start of classes. Therapeutic massage and reiki are available by appointment.

Women's Health Series: Dr. Jane Pentz - All women are invited to make a reservation for Dr. Pentz's presentation on Monday, March 6, at 1:30 p.m. This important program will focus on reducing fat while adding more protein and essential nutrients to the diet. Dr. Pentz is one of only 67 people to earn a PhD in human nutrition science from the research center on aging at Tufts University. She is also the author of the book *If You Don't Take Care Of Your Body, Where Are You Going To Live?* Call the center if you would like to attend this very worthwhile program.

Newcomers' Coffee Hour: If you are newly retired, new to Andover, or just new to the Senior Center, you are cordially invited to stop by our newcomers information hour on Tuesday, March 7 at 9:30 a.m. Staff members will be on hand to answer ques-

tions on programs, services, volunteer opportunities, trips, classes etc. Family members of seniors are also welcome to stop by.

Fix-It Shop: The next fix-it shop will take place Tuesday, March 7, at 1:30 p.m. Volunteers will attempt to try and help with any small household item or appliance in need of repair.

Coffee With The Candidates: All interested members of the Andover community are invited to attend a candidates' forum at the center on Friday, March 10 at 9:30 a.m. Come and meet the candidates running for various town offices, listen to their positions on issues, ask questions, and be prepared to know where the candidates stand before casting your vote on March 28. Please call the center if you are planning to attend.

Classical Music Course: Our classical music course will begin an eight week session on Tuesday, March 14, at 3 p.m. under the direction of Professor Stan Pelkey of Gordon College. The spring session is entitled "Master Composers Of The Baroque Period." Cost is \$25, and those who are interested should stop by the center to fill out a class registration form prior to the first meeting.

Pyrography Demonstration (Wood burning): Come and see what beautiful items can be created by this art form. Absolutely no experience or background is necessary. Anyone interested may sign-up to attend the demonstration on Monday, March 13, at 1:30 p.m. If there is enough interest we will off an eight-week instructional class beginning the end of March.

BIRTHS

FERRARA - A son, Matthew Anthony, born to Francis and Loryn (Lindquist) Ferrara Jr. of Haverhill on Feb. 3 at Holy Family Hospital. Grandparents are Francis and Diane Ferrara Sr. of Andover and Lawrence and Marlene Lindquist of Southington, Conn. Matthew joins brother Ryan.

GRYGIEL - A daughter, Katherine Grace, born to Carl and Karen (Mitchell) Grygiel of 7 Carisbrooke St., Feb. 9, at

Saints Memorial Medical Center in Lowell. Grandparents are Bill and Martha Mitchell of Andover, and Fred and Joanne Grygiel of Ridgewood, N.J. She is the great-granddaughter of Mary McDermott of Andover, and Eleanor Mitchell of West Roxbury. Katherine has a sister, Courtney, who will be 3 in April.

KING - A son, Andrew Christopher, born to Peter and Alison (Cole) King of 4 Wedgewood Drive on Feb. 4 at Holy

Family Hospital. Grandparents are, Mr. and Mrs. William Cole of Bellingham and Mr. and Mrs. Francis King of Glendale, R.I. and Palm Beach Shores, Fla. Andrew joins his brother, Alexander.

KNIGHT - A son, Casey William, born to Scott and Dana (Conway) Knight of 32 Greenwood Road, on Feb. 11 at Melrose Wakefield Hospital. Grandparents are Gillette and Barbara Knight of North Reading. Casey joins sister, Brianna, 2.

LeFEBRE - A son, Peter Lawrence, born to Peter and Lori (Burnham) LeFebre of Lawrence, on Jan. 25 at Holy Family Hospital. Grandparents are Robert and Kathleen LeFebre of Lawrence, Dorothy Burnham of Andover and Bruce Burnham of Windham, N.H.

MURPHY - A son, Liam Howard, born to Kevin and Rebecca (Howard) Murphy of 38 Washington Ave., on Feb. 6 at Lawrence General Hospital.

Grandparents are James F. Murphy of Andover and Marjorie Howard of Andover. Sister, Mikayla is 2.

TAYLOR - A son, Bryce Rowell, born to Douglas and Elisabeth (Hildebrand) Taylor of Germantown, Md., on Feb. 14. Grandparents are Bruce and Charlotte Taylor of Andover and Herbert Hildebrand of Los Angeles, Calif. and Sarasota, Fla. Bryce joins his sister, Allison, and brother, Graham.

SOCIAL NOTEBOOK

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Monday, March 6 at 7:30 p.m. in the West Middle School Cafeteria. For more information, call Beth Edelstein at 475-3759, or Ellen Keller at 474-5091.

Andover Garden Club plans horticulture meeting Tuesday

The Andover Garden Club will hold a horticulture meeting Tuesday, March 7, at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 6 Locke St.

The speaker will be lecturer Susan

E. Dumaine.

She will talk about "Successful Garden Design."

The meeting is open to guests (\$5 guest fee) who contact Claire Syiek in advance at 475-8101.

Call her for more information.

The club welcomes new members with a strong interest in gardening or floral design.

Information about joining is available from the Andover Garden Club membership chair, Rosemary Halloran, at 794-8309.

A local woman's life in 1820s

In honor of Andover's celebration of Women's History Month, the Andover Historical Society will present "An Evening with Louisa Adams Leavitt: A Local Woman's Life in the 1820s," an illustrated talk by Barbara Thibault, executive director. The talk, next Thursday, March 9, at 7 p.m., will focus on a local woman's life in the 1820s.

Louisa Adams was born in Andover on December 28, 1803 to Major John Adams and Dorcas Faulkner. In 1825, she married Major Jonathan Leavitt, a local bookbinder, and they lived at 244 South Main St. before moving to New York.

A wedding portrait of Ms. Adams (circa 1825) is part of the Society's collection and is on display in the meeting room. It is the only portrait of a woman in the society's collection and is said to be an excellent representation of the appropriate dress and style of our community at that time.

Louisa Adams Leavitt may not be a household word for many of us, but ask any fifth-grade student and they will tell you a story. Since 1981, all fifth-graders have participated in the Historical Society's interactive program, Andover in the 1820s. Upon arrival at the Society, the fifth-graders are given identities of residents during this time

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OBITUARIES

Capt. George L. Street III Congressional Medal of Honor and Presidential Unit citation awardee

Capt. George L. Street III, 86, of Linda Road, a Congressional Medal of Honor winner, died Saturday, Feb. 26, at Academy Manor Nursing Home.



Capt. George L. Street III
Born on July 27, 1913, Capt. Street was a native of Richmond, Va.

He graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland in 1937. After retiring from the U.S. Navy, Capt. Street was appointed to the post of Senior Naval Instructor at Woburn High in 1967 and served in that capacity for more than a decade.

Designed to attract qualified volunteers from the high school ranks during the Vietnam War, the department was involved in setting up the Naval Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC).

He was the former chairman of the department of Naval Science at Woburn High.

Capt. Street earned the Navy Cross, two Silver Stars, a Submarine Combat Insignia and a Presidential Unit citation, the latter of which he

said he was the most proud.

"I really treasure that more than the Medal of Honor because every man was there with us," Street said in a 1994 interview. "I didn't get that alone by any means."

During WWII, Capt. Street was the commanding officer of the *USS Tirante*, which conducted a series of submarine war patrols against the Japanese.

During its maiden voyage on April 14, 1945, the *Tirante* penetrated the Harbor of Quelpart Island, off the coast of Korea, and torpedoed a Japanese ammunition ship and two of three escorting frigates.

On its second patrol, the *Tirante* attacked Nagasaki harbor, torpedoed several ships and boarded and burned more than a dozen large Japanese sailing vessels, while Capt. Street simultaneously commanded a six-boat patrol pack.

Among the members of the *Tirante's* crew was Lt. Endicott "Chub" Peabody, who went on to become governor of Massachusetts.

Following WWII, Capt. Street served as head of the Sub-surface and Surface Warfare Division of the Office of Naval Research, and assisted in setting up the first undersea warfare symposium in Washington, D.C.

He returned to active duty as commanding officer of the attack transport flagship *USS Fremont*, which participated in the Lebanese crisis in 1958. One year later, he was appointed professor of Naval Science at MIT and held various academic positions until he retired from the Navy on Aug. 9, 1966.

Members of his family include his

wife, Mary M. (McKenna) Street of Andover; his son, George L. Street IV and his wife, Kathryn, of Portland, Maine; his daughter, Kristopher Terry and her husband, Bryant, of Kingsport, Tenn.; a sister, Melinda Olgevy of Old Greenwich, Conn.; four grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

At the request of the family, there are no calling hours.

A memorial service will take place at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 5, at Christ Church, 25 Central St.

Burial will be in Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, Va.

Funeral arrangements are by the Burke Funeral Home in Andover.

Sandra M. Corbin Born in Andover

Sandra M. (Seagle) Corbin, 63, of Pelham, died Monday, Feb. 21, at home.

Before retiring after 32 years in the school department, she was the administrative assistant to the principal of Memorial School in Pelham, and before that at E.G. Sherburne School.

Born in Andover, she was raised in Tewksbury and graduated from Tewksbury High.

She was a member of St. Patrick Church and a teacher in the CCD program there.

Mrs. Corbin was active in Pelham, serving as a Pelham Library trustee, recording secretary to the School Board for several years, and treasurer of the school district. She was also a Girl Scout troop leader and an active volunteer for the American Cancer Society's "Daffodil Days."

She leaves husband Gerard J. Corbin; daughters Suzan Moffett of North Andover, Kathleen Corbin-Hachez and husband Roger Hachez of

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OBITUARIES

Patricia L. Byron, 39
Sandra M. Corbin, 63
Donald Hill, 84
Douglas C. Jones, 41
Margaret V. Lynch, 85
Aldea C. Moody
Robert E. Moore, 53
Veikko A. Oby, 83
James F. O'Halloran, 77
Mildred M. Pienta, 80
Capt. George L. Street III, 86
Ann H. Trick, 94

Deaths Elsewhere

MOODY — Aldea C. (Caron) Moody, a 30-year resident of Newburyport, died Saturday, Feb. 26, at M.I. Nursing-Restorative Center in Lawrence. Mrs. Moody worked in the former Shawsheen Mills in Andover.

Members of her family include a sister, Rita Ferrier of Andover.

MOORE — Robert E. "Bob" Moore, 53, of Bradford, died Tuesday, Feb. 22 at Massachusetts General Hospital.

Members of his family include a sister, Janet Guschof of Andover.

OBY — Veikko A. Oby, 83, of Lawrence, died Friday, Feb. 25, at Lawrence General Hospital.

Members of his family include a daughter, Sheila M. Champagne of Andover.

O'HALLORAN — James F. O'Halloran, 77, of Norwood, died Friday, Feb. 25, at Chartwell House Nursing Home, Norwood.

Members of his family include a daughter, Patricia K. Kucharski of Andover.

PIENTA — Mildred M. (Hoegen) Pienta, 80, of Methuen, died Monday, Feb. 21, at Mariner Health Care in Methuen.

Members of her family include a niece, Charlene R. Miller, and nephew, Robert Bachmann, both of Andover.

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OBITUARIES

Sandra M. Corbin

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Londonderry, N.H., and Patricia and husband Edward Prescott of Pelham, N.H.; and nine grandchildren. She was also mother of the late Cristine Corbin.

Funeral services were held Friday, Feb. 25, followed by a Mass at St. Patrick Church in Pelham.

Burial was in Gibson Cemetery in Pelham.

Arrangements were by the Pelham Funeral Home, 11 Nashua Road, Pelham.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Cancer Society, 360 Route 101, Bedford, NH 03110; or Homehealth and Hospice, 22 Prospect St., Nashua, NH 03060.

Patricia L. Byron

Assembler at AT&T

Patricia L. "Patty" Byron, 39, of Andover died Tuesday, Feb. 22.

Ms. Byron was an assembler at AT&T, now called Lucent Technologies, in North Andover for several years.

Born in Methuen, she attended Greater Lawrence Technical School.

She was a member of West Congregational Church of Haverhill.

She dedicated much of her time to volunteering at local nursing homes, said her family.

Family members include parents Alexander F. and Shirley (Myers) Byron of Andover; sister Judy A. LaBelle of Salem, N.H.; brother Dennis A. Byron; and two nephews.

Ms. Byron was buried in Spring Grove Cemetery in Andover.

Memorial contributions may be made to Holy Family Hospital Cancer Management Center, 70 East St., Methuen, MA 01844; or to West Congregational Church, Broadway, Haverhill, MA 01830.

Douglas C. Jones

Was Gillette systems analyst

Douglas C. Jones, 41, of Andover, died Sunday, Feb. 20, at Lawrence General Hospital.

He was born in Greenwich, Conn. Mr. Jones was a systems analyst for Gillette Co., in Boston.

He leaves wife Elisabeth (Pelletier) Jones; son Nicholas of Andover; brothers Peter of Camden, Maine, and David of Tucson, Ariz.; and a niece.

Arrangements were by the Dewhirst & Conte Funeral Home, 28 Florence St., Andover.

Memorial contributions may be made to Nicholas Jones College Fund, 420 S. Main St., Andover, 01810.

Margaret V. Lynch

Attended Andover schools

Margaret V. (O'Leary) Lynch, 85, formerly of Andover, died Wednesday, Feb. 23, at Prescott House Nursing Home.

Mrs. Lynch was an assembler for Western Electric in North Andover until she retired in 1979.

Born in Lawrence, she attended Andover schools. She graduated from Burdette Business College in Lawrence.

Mrs. Lynch was a member of the Telephone Pioneers of America.

She was a parishioner of St. August-

tine Church in Andover, and was a member of the Catholic Daughters of America at the church. She was also a former member of the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians in Lawrence.

Mrs. Lynch was the widow of Maurice F. Lynch. Members of her family include daughter Mary Anne Durso of Andover; sons and daughters-in-law Maurice F. and Joan J., and David V. and Camie, all of North Andover; sister Sister Helen O'Leary, of Derry, N.H.; nine grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

She was buried in St. Augustine Cemetery in Andover.

Memorial contributions may be made to Holy Family Hospital, 70 East St., Methuen, MA 01844; or to the American Red Cross, Merrimack Valley Chapter, 177 Ward Hill Ave., Haverhill, MA 01835.

Donald Hill

Was an assembler at the former Tyer Rubber Co.

Donald Hill, 84, of 42 Chandler Road, died Thursday, Feb. 24, at MI Nursing and Restorative Center in Lawrence.

Mr. Hill was an assembler at the former Tyer Rubber Co., now known as Converse Rubber, until retiring in 1979.

Born in Lawrence, he attended Sacred Heart School. He was a member of Sacred Heart Church in Lawrence and the Andover Senior Center.

During World War II, Mr. Hill served in the Army.

He leaves sons Thomas S. Hill of Andover and Paul D. Hill and wife Susan of Las Vegas, Nev.; daughter and son-in-law Alice and John LaCharite of Salem, N.H.; sister Exilia Devlin of Lawrence; two grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Monday at Burke Funeral Home in Andover.

Burial followed in Spring Grove Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Alzheimer's Unit, MI Nursing and Restorative Center, 172 Lawrence St., Lawrence.

Ann H. Trick

Attended Andover Christian Science Church

Ann H. (Davis) Trick, 94, of Pine Street, died Saturday, Feb. 26, at Prescott House in North Andover.

Born in Joliet, Ill., Mrs. Trick lived in California for more than 40 years before moving to Andover in 1994 to live with her daughter, Sandra A. Cioffi.

She had worked as a secretary at the University of California at Berkeley.

Mrs. Trick was a member of First Church of Christ, Scientist of Boston, and an attendant of Andover Christian Science Church.

She was especially fond of baking.

She was the widow of Charles R. Trick and George S. House. In addition to her daughter, members of her family include grandsons with whom she lived, John, George, Anthony and Thomas Cioffi of Andover; and one great-granddaughter.

She was the mother of the late George S. House Jr.

There are no calling hours. Burial will be private. Memorial services will be held Saturday, March 11 at 11 a.m. at Dewhirst & Conte Funeral Home, 28 Florence St.

Memorial contributions may be made to Andover Christian Science Church, 278 N. Main St., Andover, 01810.

SOCIAL NOTEBOOK

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period and are guided through a number of programs and exercises about life in Andover in the 1820s.

Many students have portrayed Louisa Adams Leavitt over the years as part of this program.

Call the Society at 475-2236 to register in advance for this evening program. Cost for this program is \$2 members; \$5 non-members.

Guest speaker at Unitarians' Association Sunday

Four Unitarian Universalist congregations will worship together Sunday, March 5, at 10:30 a.m., in the Old Town Hall, 20 Main St., for their annual Association Sunday.

Guest speaker will be Thandeka, associate profes-

sor of theology and culture at Meadville/Lombard Theological School in Chicago.

Her name, which means "one who is loved by God," was given to her in 1984 by Bishop Desmond Tutu.

She holds an MS in journalism from Columbia University, an MA in history of religions from UCLA, and a PhD in theology from Claremont Graduate University.

Before studying for the ministry, Thandeka was an Emmy-award winning television producer on the west coast. She is author of *The Embodied Self* (1995) and *Learning to be White: Money, Race and God in America* (1999).

Children's programs will be conducted at the host congregation's building at 6 Locke St. Parents are requested to bring their children early, by 10:15.

Combined choirs from the



Thandeka

four congregations will enliven the worship.

Participating are members and friends of the First Religious Society in Newburyport, the Universalist Unitarian Church in Haverhill, the North Parish in North Andover, and the Unitarian Universalist Congregation in Andover (hosting the gathering). A coffee hour and social time will follow worship, together with a book signing by Thandeka. The public is cordially invited.

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Chamber hosts report from State Senate

The Government Affairs Committee of the Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce will host a Report from the Massachusetts State Senate on Friday, March 10, from 7:30 to 9:15 a.m. at the Red Tavern Function Facilities, 5 Pleasant St., Methuen.

Confirmed speakers include state senators **James Jajuga**, D-Methuen, **Sue Tucker**, D-Andover, **Steven Panagiotakas**, D-Lowell, and **Bruce Tarr**, R-Gloucester. Senate President **Thomas Birmingham** has been invited.

Tickets are \$15 per person or \$100 for a table of eight.

The chamber, along with the Andover Wyndham and Andover Bank, will sponsor the annual St. Patrick's Day Marketing Mixer on Tuesday, March 14, at the Andover Wyndham, 123 Old River Road, from 5-7 p.m.

The event will include hors d'oeuvres and beverages and a raffle with door prizes, compliments of Carrabassett Spring Water, Cory Glass, Ed Eich Photographic, Graebel Co., Lobster Tail, Margot's Gallery, Office Works, Pasta For You, The PLUS Co., Ed Pedi Photography, Residence Inn by Marriott, Russett Wireless, the U.S. Postal Service, Wheelabrator and the chamber.

Tickets are \$10 for members and \$15 for non-members. For more information, call 686-0900.

Lee elected president of career association

A. Terrence Lee, of Andover, has been elected president of the Boston Chapter of the International Association of Career Management Professionals, IACMP. With more than 1,600 members in North and South America, Australia, Europe and Asia, IACMP is the world voice on career and work issues.

IACMP's mission is to promote high standards of professional conduct, to support education and research, to promote collaboration and to publicize the strategic function of career management professionals.

With more than 20 years experience, as a career consultant, Lee is a certified career management practitioner and national certified counselor. He is principal and owner of Career Growth Management, in Andover. The firm specializes in career assessment, life and work balance



Terrence Lee

issues, and workplace team building.

Partners honors Andover residents for excellence

Partners HealthCare presented its fourth annual Partners In Excellence Awards to nearly 2,400 employees of Partners' institutions during cere-

monies held throughout December 1999. Andover residents who received awards are: **Meg Buotte** of Massachusetts General Hospital; **Margaret Buscema** of McLean Hospital; **Christopher Colecchi** of Massachusetts General Hospital; **George Desko** of Massachusetts General Hospital; **Elizabeth Eagan-Bengston** of Brigham and

Women's Hospital; **Cynthia M. Espino-la** of Brigham and Women's Hospital; **Panfilo Federico** of Massachusetts General Hospital; **Lauren Frei** of Dana Farber Cancer Institute; **Patricia Gleason-Claydon** of Brigham and Women's Hospital; **Diane Hanscom** of Massachusetts General Hospital; **Christine Hark-**

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Newbury Street salon opens here

The town's newest hair styling salon in town is also the first tenant at 34 Park St., the commercial complex on the site of the former bowling alley.

The new salon is the second location for Ecocentrix, of Newbury Street, Boston.

Co-owner **Marc Harris** says he and his partner, **Vincent Guarnotta**, have been on Newbury Street for the past nine years, "and I've been on Newbury Street as a stylist for 20 years."

This is the first expansion for the two, but they are also looking to open a third location at the World Trade Center in Boston.

"We've been looking in Andover for a couple of years," Harris says, "but we really wanted to find the right space."

He says the salon has hired what he believes are some of the top stylists in the area, and intends to rotate them with those on Newbury Street.

"We really strive for a creative work environment," he says. "We think we have something that looks even more like it would be in Soho, N.Y. And the fact that we're based on Newbury Street means we're really into what's going on with hair and



Photo by Carol Van Doren

Classy cuts — That's what Ecocentrix co-owner **Marc Harris** (left) says clients will get at his new salon on Park Street. With him are stylists **Stefanie Kaitsunas**, **Jason Gerardi**, **Amy Bisson** and **Kim Billcliff**.

fashion. There are 90 salons in eight blocks. If you don't stay up with what's going on, you won't be in business for very long."

Harris says the salon employs 45 in

Boston, and will employ 12 stylists in Andover.

The salon will feature artwork as well, first from artists in the Boston area, but then later from local artists.

Yang's in dispute over 'Tae Bo' trademark

Yang's Martial Arts, of 3 Dundee Park, is one of four defendants in a trademark-infringement lawsuit brought by BG Star Productions of Encino, Calif., in U.S. District Court.

BG alleges that the defendants illegally used the trademark "Tae Bo," which describes a "unique and original exercise workout combination of martial arts, boxing, dance and music," according to the complaint, which adds that Tae Bo was created by **Billy Blanks** in 1982, who is president of BG Star.

"As a consequence of extensive marketing and promotion, BG Star has acquired a valuable reputation and significant goodwill in connection with the Tae Bo name and registered service mark," says the complaint.

Other defendants named are Bay Shore Athletic Club, of Weymouth; Choi's Tae Kwon Do Academy, of

Springfield; and U.S. Tae Kwon Do Center, also of Springfield. The complaint was filed in the Springfield section of the U.S. District Court.

According to the complaint, BG Star notified Yang's of the alleged infringement by certified mail on May 6, 1999, "but defendant continues to advertise and offer exercise classes under the federally registered Tae Bo service mark."

The complaint alleges that Yang's knew the term Tae Bo was a protected trademark, and continued to use it, knowing that it would "confuse potential customers and the public, causing them to think, incorrectly, that the instructional exercise classes originating from defendant Yang are sponsored, endorsed or sanctioned by, have some connection with, or are offered under the supervision or control of Billy Blanks or BG Star."

The complaint asks the court to issue both a temporary and permanent injunction ordering all the defendants to stop using the trademark, and to show proof of the destruction of any promotional material that uses the term Tae Bo.

It also seeks to recover actual damages, asking the court to order the defendants to reimburse BG Star for any profits made while using the term Tae Bo, and then to triple those damages.

BG Star is represented by Oldham & Oldham Co., L.P.A., an intellectual property law firm based in Akron, Ohio, but the Massachusetts attorney handling the matter is **Timothy J. Ryan** of Springfield.

Yang's is represented by Andover attorney **Peter Caruso**, who could not be reached for comment.

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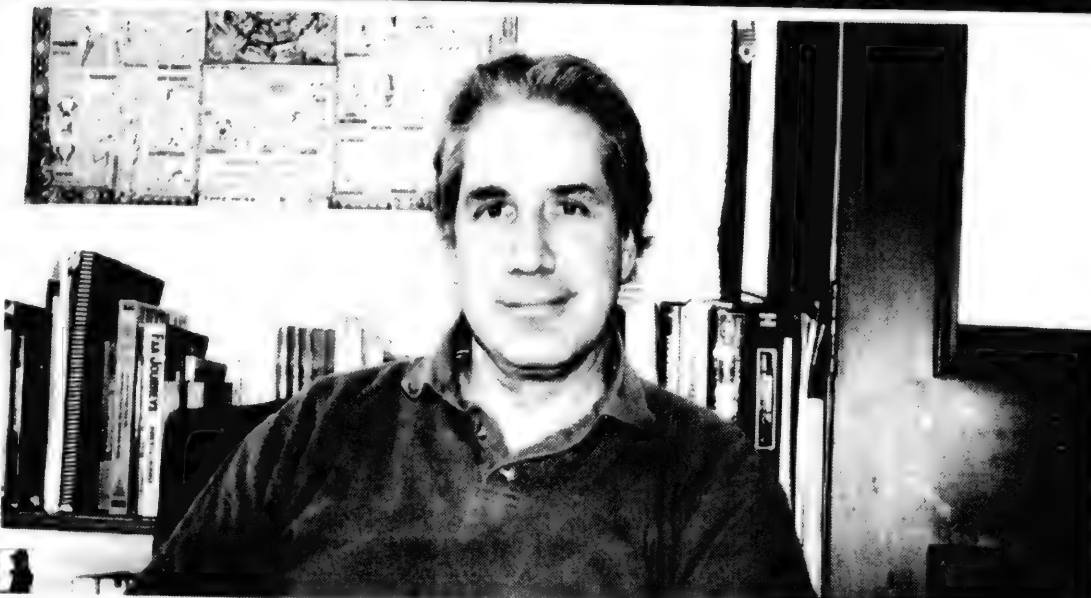
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Mason joins Business Benefits Insurance

Business Benefits Insurance Brokerage Inc., of Andover, announced that **Doreen Mason** joined the firm as vice president of operations on Jan. 1.

With more than 10 years of experience in the managed care and insurance industries, Mason will be responsible for overseeing BBI's operations including client services.

Mason has held numerous positions at Mathew Thornton Health Plan of New Hampshire, including manager of business development, senior account executive, senior account manager, and senior rating and underwriting analyst. Prior to that, she was a rating and underwriting analyst for Delta Dental Plan of Massachusetts.

Mason graduated cum laude from both New Hampshire College and Salem State College, and holds an MBA and a BS in accounting, respectively. She is licensed in Massachusetts and New Hampshire as an Accident, Health and Life Broker and holds HIAA-Group Benefit Certification.



Doreen Mason

Andover Bank opens new Tewksbury office

Andover Bank opened the doors to its new Tewksbury office at 2345 Main St. on Jan. 18. The bank held a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Friday, Jan. 21 to celebrate this event. In attendance were **David Chessman**, Tewksbury town manager; **Sean Sullivan**, director of Department of Planning and Conservation; **Robert Fowler**, vice chairman of the Planning Board; and **Richard O'Neill Esq.**

Present from Andover Bank were **Gerald Mulligan**, president/CEO; **Michael Ecker**, executive vice president; **Maria Consoli**, Tewksbury branch banking officer; and **Christopher Donahue**, assistant vice president/Tewksbury Center Branch banking officer.

This 2,900-square-foot space is the new location for the bank's office previously located at 2171 Main St. The new facility offers a drive-up teller, increased parking, a 24-hour drive-up ATM, and expanded hours.

Andover Bank, incorporated in 1834, operates 10 banking offices in Massachusetts (Andover, Lawrence, Methuen, North Andover, and Tewksbury) and two in New Hampshire (Londonderry and Salem). Plans to open a new Derry, N.H. office this spring are underway.



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Balloon man? No, it's Joel Rosen, CEO of NaviSite Inc., speaking at the company's grand opening of its East Coast data center at 400 Minuteman Road last Wednesday evening, Feb. 23. NaviSite is a local application service provider (ASP) and Web hosting company. The 150,000-square-foot facility, including corporate headquarters and raised floor data center space, which has been operational since January, is the latest location in which NaviSite will provide customers with Internet server management and applications. "The new center takes advantage of our extensive experience from providing managed services for over three years, as well as the best concepts from the industry as a whole," Rosen said. "The facility, combined with the NaviSite team of engineers located on its premises, considerably expands the scope of customer implementations we can rapidly deploy and manage."

O'Connor honored by Re/Max

Margaret O'Connor of Re/Max Preferred in Andover recently became a member of Re/Max International's 100-percent Club. This accomplishment is based on commissions earned in a single

year. Membership is awarded to high-producing Re/Max sales associates. In presenting the award, William E. Soterof, regional director of Re/Max, said, "I applaud you on this accomplishment. It is quite an honor to be recognized as one of the Re/Max elite."

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Sports

Roundup: Girls gymnastics squad completes perfect season

By Rick Harrison

Andover is now home to two state champion girls athletic teams.

The AHS girls gymnastics squad completed a perfect season by placing first in an elite eight-school field at the All-State Championship Meet hosted by Foxboro High.

The gymnasts, joining last fall's swim and dive team as the best in Massachusetts, once again handled the big-meet pressure with unflinching poise.

The unflappable champs performed with the same impressive consistency they displayed all season.

The Lady Warriors' 138.35 total was more than a full point better than runner-up and South Sectional titlist Barnstable, which finished at 137.05.

"It may take a while for this to sink in," said AHS head coach Julie Chapman. "It's been fun and a long time coming. We've been close a few times before."

"Each big win this year has been more exciting than the last — and this one is the ultimate. We knew from the beginning of the season, if we stayed healthy and performed to our capabilities, a state title was a definite possibility."

With the championship there for the taking the talented locals were, predictably, as good as they had to be.

"The girls just kept doing what they've been doing all season," said Chapman. "Everyone remarked about our consistency."

As in the Sectionals there was no official all-around competition, but AHS sophomore Kristen Elsmore had the second highest individual four-event score of the day with a 35.90.

Only Beverly's Emily Rinaldo was better, by 5/100ths of a point, at 35.95.

Fellow Warriors' sophomore Becky Hass also did all four events and scored a 34.85, while other major contributors were Sheri Bernstein, Renee Fung, Bahaar Massihzadegan, Katie Cail, Krit Kearins, Jackie Barry and Gretchen Fuhr.

Andover went 9-0 during the regular dual- and tri-meet season, placed first in Division 1 (and overall) at the Merrimack Valley Conference Championship Meet, and romped to victory by a three-point margin at the North Sectionals.

The first-ever All-State crown completed a flawless season.

The Andover High boys basketball team has been seeded No. 2, the girls are No. 3, and both begin play this weekend in the single-elimination Division 1 North Tournament.



Photo by Carol Van Doren

The Andover High girls gymnastics team completed its perfect season with the state champion crown.

Both AHS hoop teams won Merrimack Valley Conference titles this winter, marking the first time in several years the same school has captured both MVC Division 1 championships in basketball.

Their high seeds got the Warrior teams a bye through the first round into the quarterfinals, and both play their tourney opener on the home court.

Coach Dave Fazio's Andover boys, 18-3 and riding a seven-game win streak against some impressive opponents, are first in action tomorrow night at the Dunn Gym (7 p.m.).

The locals will host No. 7 seed Acton-Boxboro (13-8 record) which defeated Lexington 65-48 in a first-round game Tuesday night.

"They're big," said Fazio after scouting the A-B win. "They were tough off the boards and they ran the floor pretty well."

Brendan Flynn led the Colonials to the win with 24 points, hitting five three-pointers, while point-guard and Dual County League first-team All-Star Drew Loucks added 11 points and seven assists.

The big A-B front line of Brian Maver (6'6"), Chris Roy (6'4") and Clay Garcia (6'5") combined for 23 rebounds and four blocked shots.

It was Acton-Boxboro's first

tournament victory in boys basketball since 1991.

Other MVC boys qualifiers are Central Catholic, Lowell, Billerica, Haverhill and Methuen.

Central ousted South Boston, 67-58, and Lowell stayed alive with a 75-73 win over St. John's Prep of Danvers in other first-rounders.

If Andover wins it will move to the semifinals against one of three possible opponents: Everett (13-7), Waltham (17-4) or Haverhill.

The day, time and site of the semifinals will be announced later.

Cambridge Rindge & Latin earned the top seed, based on won-lost record, with an 18-2 mark.

Last year Andover ousted Boston Latin (81-61) and Cambridge R&L (60-55) before losing to Haverhill 71-61 in the North semifinals.

Coach Jim Tildsley's Andover girls, 18-2 and winners of nine straight, begin play Saturday night at the Dunn Gym (7 p.m.).

The opponent will be the survivor of a first-round game played last night between No. 6 seed Acton-Boxboro (13-5) and No. 11 Waltham (9-9).

The Lady Warriors are no stranger to tournament success, winning back-to-back Division 1 North titles in 1996-'97 and 1997-'98.

The first of those years Andover lost to Braintree, 55-38, in the State semifinals and the following year AHS beat Norwood in the State semis, 47-41, before losing to Minnechaug Regional 55-40 in the title game.

Current captain Lindsey Pearson was on both those teams, while Lisa Tisbert and current captain Michelle Danis were also on the state finalist.

If Andover wins it advances to the semifinals against either Methuen, Peabody or Beverly.

Seeded above Andover are No. 1 Somerville (20-2) and No. 2 Beverly (18-2).

Last year AHS slammed Peabody (61-38) before losing to Haverhill 48-36 in the North quarterfinals.

On the ski slopes, the Andover High girls team headed to Berkshire East Ski Area in the western Massachusetts town of Charlemont yesterday, after *Townsmen* presstime, for the annual Massachusetts State Inter-scholastic Alpine Championships.

The Lady Warriors qualified for the second straight year by finishing second, with an 8-2 record, to Masconomet Regional of Topsfield during the North Shore League season.

Competition will be in the slalom and giant slalom divisions, and top skiers for the AHS girls include Brittany Traynor, Lisa Tylus, Anna Vining and Sherri Conrad.

In the pool, Justin Crocker and Jim Russo did AHS proud with strong showings at the MIAA State Boys Swimming and Diving Championships hosted by Springfield College.

GIRLS GYMNASTICS

Seeded second behind Barnstable because the Red Raiders had the higher Sectional score, Andover again began the meet on the uneven bars and jumped to a lead it never relinquished.

The state champs scored 35.10 in the event for first place among the eight teams.

"It was another phenomenal performance on bars," said coach Chapman. "Even better than at Sectionals. It definitely won the meet for us."

The four AHS scores that counted belonged to Kristen Elsmore (9.1), Becky Hass (8.85), freshman Sheri Bernstein (8.6) and junior Renee Fung (8.5).

Sophomore Bahaar Massihzadegan, recovered from the flu

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Roundup: Boys basketball tops Central, heads to tourney

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that slowed her down at Sectionals, added a 7.75 and freshman Katie Cail a 7.05.

"Balance beam was not as good as Sectionals," admitted Chapman. "But it wasn't a disaster, either. We had a few falls but still scored a 33.70 which was third best among all teams."

Elsmore led with an 8.85 while Hass posted an 8.4, Cail an 8.25 and Bernstein an 8.2. Sophomore Jackie Barry scored 7.85 and senior Capt. Krit Kearins 7.55.

"Our third rotation was floor exercise and we came back huge again with a 35.15," said Chapman.

Elsmore posted a 9.1, Hass an 8.85, Bernstein 8.75 and Massihzadegan an 8.45. Kearins and Cail both registered 8.4.

Andover entered the fourth and final rotation leading Bridgewater-Raynham, the eventual third-place finisher, by 1.8 points.

The champs ended with the vault and nailed down the state title with a 34.40 score (second in the event to Beverly).

Barnstable, which closed with floor exercise, moved into second place past Bridgewater-Raynham whose final event was beam.

Elsmore scored 8.8 in vault while Hass had an 8.75, Kearins an 8.55 and Massihzadegan an 8.3. Also competing in vault were Fung (8.1) and junior Gretchen Fuhr (8.05).

"It was nice to get Gretchen into the meet," said Chapman, who wasn't sure Fuhr would be ready after she missed Sectionals with an injury.

Personal-best scores were recorded by Kearins in floor and vault and Fung on bars.

"It was especially nice to see Krit get those scores because this was her final high school meet," said Chapman.

Following Andover and Barnstable in the team scoring were Bridgewater-Raynham at 136.05, Beverly 135.70, Woburn 133.85, Canton 131.90, Masconomet Regional 131.20 and Weymouth 131.10.

State Individuals

Andover has qualified three gymnasts for the State Individual Championship Meet scheduled this Saturday at M.I.T. in Cambridge (6 p.m.).

Sophomores Kristen Elsmore and Becky Hass earned two of the 10 all-around berths. Elsmore is seeded fifth with a 35.9375 season average and Hass is seeded 10th at 35.175.

Freshman Sheri Bernstein qualified on the uneven bars with a season average of 8.6375.

Andover qualified but will not go to the New England/Northeast Regional Championship Meet, which is March 11 in Connecticut.

"It was a team decision not to go to the Regionals," said Chapman. "We went five years ago and it was a long 13-hour day that

meant very little. It doesn't give the girls any more (college) exposure so it's basically pointless."

"We're going out on top. We have nothing else to prove this season," added the AHS coach.

Andover girls who are now two-time state champs during this 1999-2000 school year, both as gymnasts and divers on the swim team, include Kristen Elsmore, Becky Hass, Krit Kearins, Bahaar Massihzadegan, Gretchen Fuhr and Kaitlin Doyle.

If you don't think a girls gymnastics dynasty is being started here consider the fact this state title team has only two seniors — Krit Kearins and Amy Garvin.

There are also six juniors, 11 sophomores and 13 freshmen on the 32-girl roster.

"In two more years, when Becky (Hass) and Kristen (Elsmore) are seniors, we have at least three more awesome kids who will be joining them as freshmen," said Chapman. "I can't wait to see what that team looks like."

Which indirectly answers the question of whether the coach, who just completed her 12th season with the program, is thinking of retiring.

"I want to get my 100th win," said Chapman, who will enter next season with a 92-13 won-lost record in dual meets.

"And in two years Becky and Kristen will be seniors and eligible for Team Massachusetts."

That select squad of seven athletes competes in the annual National High School Championships held in a different city each spring.

"A few years ago we had a couple of girls who competed with Team Massachusetts in California," said Chapman, who went along as a coach/chaperone. "That was a good trip. I wouldn't mind another of those."

The AHS team banquet, put together by the parents, is scheduled for Monday, March 13 at Indian Ridge Country Club.

And — at some point in the not-too-distant future — another State Champion banner will be unfurled and hung in the Dunn Gym alongside the one placed recently by the swim and dive team.

BOYS BASKETBALL

The latest in a long list of spectacular performances by Tom McLaughlin, arguably the best player in the state, sparked the Andover High boys basketball team to a 71-58 victory over Central Catholic in their winner-take-all Merrimack Valley Conference Division 1 title showdown in Lawrence.

McLaughlin was ably supported by Brad Stubenhaus, Paul Bellacqua and Pat Murnane in the oh-so-satisfying win on the enemy court.

It is the fourth MVC title in 11 years for head coach Dave Fazio, who also carries an excellent 172-72 career mark with the Golden Warriors into the tournament.

It was the first AHS championship in five years and the first for the current crop of seniors.

McLaughlin MVP

Tom McLaughlin has been voted Most Valuable Player in Division 1 of the Merrimack Valley Conference for the 1999-2000 season, while Dave Fazio has been named MVC Division 1 Coach of the Year.

McLaughlin, Brad Stubenhaus and Paul Bellacqua are three of the 12 MVC All-Conference players, and Dave Cordima has been selected to the All-Star Team.

Scoring leaders

AHS all-time career scoring leader Tom McLaughlin has 583 points for the season (27.7 ave.) and 1,497 for his career.

Brad Stubenhaus scored 297 regular-season points this winter, Paul Bellacqua 161, Dave Cordima 119, Kevin Shepard 105 and Pat Murnane 87.

Andover 71 Central Catholic 58

The Golden Warriors outgunned Central 45-38 in a frenetic first half, and then turned the defensive intensity up to a boil in the final 16 minutes on the way to the impressive title-clinching triumph.

With Tom McLaughlin pouring in 25 of his game-high 35 points in the opening 16 minutes, Andover traded hoops with the Raiders until an 11-5 run over the final 3:47 opened the seven-point halftime edge.

Brad Stubenhaus added nine points in the half, but it was Big Mac Attack doing most of the damage with a variety of drives, pull-up jumpers, rebounds and all five of this three-pointers.

Central, minus UConn-bound standout Scott Hazelton who led the team to the state Division 1 title last season, remained in contention on strong inside play by Brad Damphousse and Matt Kobelski.

The second half, in direct contrast to the wide-open first 16 minutes, was highlighted by strong defense as the two teams combined for only 46 points.

Central was ice-cold from the outside, had trouble with Andover's match-up zone, and went more than four minutes without a basket midway through the half.

A Stubenhaus trifecta four minutes into the final half gave the champs a 10-point lead, 55-45, and a McLaughlin layup off a bullet pass from Paul Bellacqua later upped the difference to 13 points at 61-48.

Down the stretch, with both teams struggling to score, McLaughlin nailed a 10-foot jumper, Pat Murnane swished a pair of free throws and a driving hoop by Bellacqua built the lead to 67-52.

McLaughlin finished with 35 points, marking the ninth time this season he's surpassed 30, and he also had a dozen rebounds.

Stubenhaus netted 16 points, Murnane eight, Bellacqua five, Dave Cordima four and Kevin Shepard drained a three-pointer.

Bellacqua also had nine assists and Shepard played an outstanding all-around floor game.

Damphousse led the answering fire for Central, 16-6 overall and 10-3 in MVC play, with 22 points. Dominating the offensive glass in the first half, Damphousse also collected 16 rebounds in the game.

Kobelski bulled his way to 15 points and Erik Hall added six points, eight boards and four steals.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Head Coach Jim Tildsley now has a five-year record of 96-16 at Andover and could register win No. 100 this season if the Lady Warriors go deep into the tournament as expected.

MVC All-Conference

Andover standouts Lindsey Pearson, Jenny Muller and Shannon Sweeney are among the 12 players selected to the 1999-2000 Merrimack Valley All-Conference team. Muller is one of two freshmen chosen.

Lady Warriors named MVC All-Stars are Michelle Danis and Megan Pinksten.

Jim Tildsley was voted MVC Division 1 Coach of the Year.

Scoring leaders

Jenny Muller is the top scorer through 20 games with 273 points (13.7 ave.), followed by Lindsey Pearson at 245.

Michelle Danis and Megan Pinksten both have 128 points in regular-season play, while Shannon Sweeney has 126 and Lisa Tisbert 124.

BOYS SWIMMING

Andover High sophomore Justin Crocker placed a strong third in the 500-yard freestyle with a solid 4:57.01 clocking, and he was also eighth in the 200 freestyle with a 1:51.79 time at the MIAA State Boys Division 1 Championship Meet.

Senior Capt. Jim Russo was close behind his teammate in the 500 free, finishing fifth in 5:00.73, and he touched sixth in the 200 individual medley with a 2:06.43 time.

Both AHS swim standouts registered personal-best times in their two events.

Acton-Boxboro won the State Division 1 team title for the ninth time in 15 years, scoring 199 1/2 points to edge past three-time defending champ Boston College High which finished with 198 points.

St. John's Prep of Danvers was

third at 171 and Merrimack Valley Conference champ Chelmsford fourth with 154 points.

The meet was decided in the final race of the day, with A-B placing first and B-C. High second in the 400 free relay.

ICE HOCKEY

The Andover High varsity hockey team closed out its 1999-2000 season with a 6-0 loss to Triton Regional of Byfield in the championship game of the annual Newburyport Bank Classic at the Graf Rink in Newburyport.

The Golden Warriors, who did not qualify for the MIAA Division 2 North Tournament, finished the season at 7-13 overall.

Triton, which did qualify, improved to 13-4-3 and will begin play in the MIAA Tournament tomorrow.

Andover reached the title game with an 8-4 semifinal round victory over North Reading, while Triton advanced by beating Tewksbury in an overtime shootout after the teams had battled to a 1-1 regulation tie.

All-Star Game

Junior forward Jon Ofria and senior Capt. Brad Dunn were major contributors for the Merrimack Valley/Dual County League Division 2 All-Stars during their 7-0 romp over the Greater Boston League Division 2 Stars in last Sunday night's second of three 40-minute games at the Chelmsford Forum.

Ofria netted two goals for the winners and Dunn contributed three assists in the two-period game.

Dave Thompson of Haverhill also had two goals and an assist, while Dennis Kane of Westford Academy had a goal and assist.

Andover players participating in the game were MV/DCL Division 2 All-Conference Tim LeGrow and All-Stars Dunn, Ofria, Brendan Gleason and goaltender Chris Salini.

LeGrow was officially named All-Conference and presented with a plaque between games.

Scoring Leaders

Senior wing Andy Ryan was team-high scorer for the 20-game regular season with eight goals and 11 assists for 19 points.

Following in order were Jon Ofria at 6-10-16, Brad Dunn 5-11-16, Peter Burbank 8-6-14, Tim LeGrow 6-8-14, Dennis Moran 5-8-13 and Brendan Gleason 2-9-11.

Ryan (four goals) and Burbank had the two Golden Warrior hat tricks this season, while goaltender Chris Salini posted one shutout versus Lincoln-Sudbury (2-0) and held four other teams to one goal each.

Eight seniors

Andover will lose eight seniors to graduation including Capts. Jason Swift and Brad Dunn, Matt Busby, Jeff Stearns, Lars Kiel, Jack Wittbold, goaltender Chris Salini and top scorer Andy Ryan.

Hoops: McLaughlin voted MVP; three girls named to All-Conference team

Andover High all-time scoring leader Tom McLaughlin has been voted Most Valuable Player in Division 1 of the Merrimack Valley Conference for the 1999-2000 boys basketball season, while Dave Fazio has been named MVC Division 1 Coach of the Year.

McLaughlin, Brad Stubenhaus and Paul Bellacqua are three of the elite group of 12 MVC All-Conference selections, and Dave Cordima has been named to the All-Star Team which was announced yesterday.

On the girls side, Andover standouts Lindsey Pearson, Jenny Muller and Shannon Sweeney are among the 12 players selected to the 1999-2000 Merrimack Valley All-Conference team. Muller is one of two freshman chosen.

Lady Warriors named MVC All-Stars are Michelle Danis and Megan Pinksten.

Jim Tildsley was voted MVC Division 1 Coach of the Year.

Six girls are state champs times two

Six Andover High girls student/athletes are now members of a very select club.

They are integral parts of two AHS sports teams that have won a state championship during the same school year.

The talented half dozen, who are gymnasts in the winter and divers on the swim team in the fall, are Kristen Elsmore, Becky Hass, Krit Kearins, Bahaar Mas-sihzadegan, Gretchen Fuhr and Kaitlin Doyle.

Most high schoolers progress through their athletic careers without coming close to even

one state title. These six have helped garner two Massachusetts championships in less than four months.

AHS baseball players on the 1991 and 1992 teams won back-to-back state Division 1 titles in the same sport in different years. And there have been selected state champions from Andover in track, skiing, swimming, tennis and golf over the years.

But there's a good chance the feat accomplished by these six — two state titles in different sports in one year — has never been achieved before at AHS.

Baseball camp dates announced

The seventh annual Andover Warrior Summer Baseball School will be held in three different sessions, beginning June 26, at Andover West Middle School.

The three sessions will run June 26-30, July 10-14 and July 17-21.

Daily sessions, for youngsters ages 7-15 years, will run from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the school.

The program, which is open to all area ballplayers who meet the age requirements, is run by the

Andover High varsity coaching staff along with past and present AHS players.

The fundamentals of hitting, bunting, fielding, throwing, catching, baserunning and position play will be stressed.

Campers will be grouped by age and there will be drill stations, individual player evaluations, daily games, awards and T-shirts.

For further information contact Ken Maglio at 623-8709.

Information on Andover teams wanted

Any former player, family member or friend having any information about Andover High, Punchard High or Punchard Free School football or baseball teams, send it to or contact Ken Maglio, West

Middle School, 70 Shawsheen Road, Andover, 01810. The telephone number is 623-8709.

Maglio, head varsity coach of both sports at AHS, is looking for pictures, original or

copied newspaper clippings, statistics, records, names of outstanding players or anything else that might help in researching the programs.

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ACBL: St. Robert's A girls and boys remain in top spot

By Rick Harrison

Both St. Robert's A teams remain atop the Senior Boys and Senior Girls Divisions of the Andover Church Basketball League following recent action at the Andover High Field House.

The SRA boys are undefeated while the previously-unbeaten

SRA girls suffered a recent one-point loss but still lead the division by 1 1/2 games.

SENIOR BOYS

Week 9

St. Robert's A 47

Faith Lutheran 19

The division frontrunner galloped to a 30-point halftime lead and traded hoops with Lutheran after the

break.

Doug Powers and Jarrett Mackin, both doing the bulk of their damage in the first half, led the winners with 14 and 13 points respectively.

Matt and Steve Renfro pocketed 6 points each, while Sean Branca and Nick Halks completed the onslaught with 4 points apiece.

Kevin Aufiero sparked Lutheran with 6 points, Dan Brennan and John Fox had 4 each, Andrew Hempstead 3 and Jake Kleinman a second-half basket.

St. Robert's B 53

St. Augustine A 39

Jonathan DeLeo scored a game-high 19 points, and SRB used its superior depth to outgun SAA in a battle of the division's second and third place teams.

Patrick Bateson added 9 points and Daniel Righter 8 for the winners, who led 28-21 at the half. Tim Hughes delivered 5 points,

Jimmy Muller and Tom White 4 each, Conor Mogan 2 and Matt Wolfman 2.

Ryan Shepard and Paul Tassinari produced a solid 1-2 scoring punch for SAA, finishing with 18 and 17 points respectively.

Sean Cummings chipped in 3 and Jeff Sawyer converted a second-half foul shot.

South Church 31

St. Augustine C 30

Ryan Durkin hit an outside jump shot with 20 seconds remaining and South held on to avoid the upset.

Durkin and Mike Gibson were co-high scorers with 10 points each for the winners. Joel Keefe netted 7 points, Alex Foley had a field goal and Dale Spolletti two key free throws.

SAC was led by Matt Hill with 8 points, Matt Fabiani 6 and Alex Tzavalas 4.

Contributing a basket each were Andy Ciampa, Brian Coffey, Ryan Donahue, Pat Hughes, Ryan O'Leary and Doug Washington. Ballardvale United 19

St. Augustine B 12

United used its domination of the boards to

key the victory over St. Augustine B.

Josh Burke was game-high scorer with 8 points for BU. Alex Dezieck and Phil Lucas added 4 each, Neil McCarthy a field goal and Matt Malloy a first-half free throw.

Greg Spurr tossed in 6 points for SAB while Scott Mancinelli, Mark Swoboda and Brad Whiting had a bucket each.

Week 8

St. Augustine A 38

South Church 34

Guard Ryan Shepard's strong overall game, which included 18 points, and South's woes at the free throw line (4-for-18) were instrumental in a hard-fought SAA victory.

Paul Tassinari contributed 11 points for the winners while Ben Baldwin, Sean Cummings, David Musto and Mitch Turow added a field goal each. Jeff Sawyer converted a second-half free throw.

Three players did all the scoring for South as Mike Gibson notched 15 points, Ryan Durkin 12 and Joe Keefe 7.

SAA led 22-15 at the half.

Faith Lutheran 40

St. Augustine D 21

Lutheran top gun Jake Kleinman was kept under control, scoring 8 points, but his teammates expertly picked up the slack as Kevin Aufiero netted 12 first-half points, Johnny Fox 8 second-half points, Fletch Irby 6 points, Daniel Jordan 4 and Jonathan Taylor 2.

Mark Radlinski pocketed 10 points for St. Augustine D, Geoff Shulik added 6, Nick Barash 3 and Jack Thorlin 2.

St. Robert's B 28

Ballardvale United 19

Jonathan DeLeo tossed in a game-high 15 points and played a strong floor game to spark SRB to the triumph.

Tim Hughes added 7 points, Jimmy Muller 4 and Louis Peracchi 2 for St. Robert's which hit 8-of-15 free throws.

Alex Dezieck paced United with 7 points, Matt Hogan and Philip Lucas had 4 each, and second-half field goals were contributed by Derek Cuneo and Anthony Camilo.

St. Augustine C 32

St. Augustine B 16

Quick forward Doug

Washington scored 10 points to guide the C-team to the victory over its intra-church rival.

James Primes and Matt Hill added 8 points each, Ryan Donahue 4 and Matt Fabiani 2.

Johnny Formichella and Brad Whiting countered with 3 points apiece for the B-team, while netting a field goal each were Tommy Cahill, Steve Deering, Matt Furness, Joe Ruskowski and Greg Spurr.

Week 7

St. Augustine D 35

St. Augustine B 27

Jack Thorlin scored a game-high 12 points as St. Augustine D held off its intra-church rival.

Nick Barash and Geoff Shulik added 6 points each for the winners, while Mark Radlinski had 4 and field goals were netted by Alex Navarro, Nicolas Sullender and Colin Sullivan. Steve Schade converted a free throw to round out the attack.

Mark Swoboda had 9 points and Bradford Whiting 6 to lead the B-team, which also received 4 points each from John Formichella and Matt Furness. Kevin Gaines and Joe Ruskowski added a basket apiece.

Ballardvale United 31

St. Augustine C 18

Four players scored four points each to spark United to a commanding 18-6 halftime lead.

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ACBL: St. Robert's A girls and boys remain in top spot

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Matt Hogan collected a game-high 11 points for the winners, while others contributing to the balanced attack were Josh Burke with 6 points, Alex Dezieck 5, Phil Lucas and Anthony Camilo 4 each, and Derek Cuneo a free throw.

Matt Hill tossed in 7 points for SAC and single baskets were added by Andrew Ciampa, Ryan Donahue, Matt Fabiani, Alex Tzavalas and Doug Washington. James Primes converted a free throw.

St. Augustine A 44

Faith Lutheran 35

SAA overcame an impressive 25-point performance by Lutheran's prolific inside threat Jake Kleinman to register the high-scoring triumph.

Ryan Shepard paced the winners with 15 points, Paul Tassinari had 9, Sean Cummings 8 and Jeff Sawyer 8 (all in the second half).

Ben Baldwin and Dave Musto also had a bucket each for SAA.

Backing Kleinman's monster game were Johnny Fox and Kevin Aufiero with 4 points each and Dan Jordan 2.

St. Robert's A 52

South Church 36

The division leaders powered to a 35-14 halftime lead and rolled to victory behind the double-figure efforts of Doug Powers and Jarrett Mackin.

Powers scored 18 of his game-high 20

points in the first half and Mackin added 9 of his 15.

Steve Renfro notched 4 points, Nick Halks and Matt Renfro 3 each, Adam Dolan 2, Mark Mazza 2, Joe Torn 2 and Stephen Russell a first-half free throw.

Mike Gibson scored 10 points for pesky South, while Ryan Durkin and Nick Zuill pocketed 8 each, Joe Keefe 6 and Alex Foley 4.

ACBL standings Senior Boys

	W	L	PF	PA
St. Robert's A	8	0	344	189
St. Robert's B	7	1	306	227
St. Augustine A	5	3	253	237
Faith Lutheran	4	4	252	254
South	4	4	277	271
Ballardvale United	4	4	172	186
St. Augustine D	3	5	207	252
St. Augustine C	1	7	155	224
St. Augustine B	0	8	162	288

SENIOR GIRLS

Week 9

St. Robert's C 34

St. Augustine B 20

SRC, fresh off its win over previously-undefeated division leader St. Robert's A, moved into third place and did SRA a big favor by knocking off second place St. Augustine B.

J'aime Gilbert scored 14 of her single-

game season-high 30 points in the second half as SRC broke open a one-point 16-15 game with an 18-5 run.

Danielle Perry and Elissa Slovin contributed a basket each in the second half for the winners.

Colleen Haugh led SAB with 6 points, Lauren Barber and Brigga Heelen scored 4 each in the first half, and solo baskets were added by Kelsey Farrell, Kate James and Jeanne Lothrop.

St. Robert's A 26

St. Augustine A 8

Versatile Corrine Welsh notched 11 first-half points as SRA grabbed a commanding lead on the way to victory.

Annmarie Baraby and Elizabeth Dwulet pumped in 6 points each, Andrea Pereira 2 and Lauren Grobicki had a first-half free throw.

Alison Caverly topped SAA with 4 points while Tara Mohan and Libby Mulligan contributed 2 each.

St. Robert's B 22

West Parish 14

Jocelyn Gerety led a balanced attack for SRB with 8 points, as the winners broke open a close game in the second half.

Heather Maloney had 6 points, all after the break, while Lauren Vieira netted 4, Maria Savoca 2 and Brittany Wadbrook 2.

Jacqui Herling sparked West Parish with 4 points. Adding a field goal each were Lauren Elias, Allison Nill, Leslie and Meredith Peck and Leslie Willey.

Week 8

St. Robert's C 26

St. Robert's A 25

SRC top scorer J'aime Gilbert's adroit passing counteracted the double-teaming efforts of St. Robert's A and handed the previously-undefeated division leaders their first loss.

SRC survived the accurate outside shooting of Annmarie Baraby who swished four 20-foot bombs early in the second half for the A-team.

Gilbert finished with 13 points for the winners, 11 in the first half when SRC took a 16-12 lead.

Danielle Perry and Elissa Slovin added 4 points each, Amanda Chomicz and Cait Delaney notched a basket apiece and Christa Sharis had a free throw.

Baraby and Corrine Welsh scored 8 points each for SRA, Elizabeth Dwulet had 5 points, Courtney Dynes 2 and Jennie McKain 2.

The winners held a pivotal 4-1 scoring edge at the free throw line.

St. Augustine B 21

St. Augustine A 13

The inside play of Colleen Haugh, who worked hard for her game-high 12 points, keyed the big triumph for the B-team.

Trailing 9-8 at the half, SAB outscored SAA 13-4 after the break and moved into a virtual first-place tie with St. Robert's A.

Jeanne Lothrop added 3 points while

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Scoring Summaries

GIRLS GYMNASTICS

MASSACHUSETTS ALL-STATE CHAMPIONSHIP MEET at Foxboro High Team Scores

1. **ANDOVER** 138.35; 2. Barnstable 137.05; 3. Bridgewater-Raynham 136.05; 4. Beverly 135.70; 5. Woburn 133.85; 6. Canton 131.90; 7. Masconomet Regional 131.30; 8. Weymouth 131.10.

Andover Scorers

(Top 4 Count For Team)

UNEVEN BARS: Kristen Elmore 9.1; Becky Hass 8.85; Sheri Bernstein 8.6; Renee Fung 8.5; Bahaar Massihzadegan 7.75; Katie Cail 7.05. **AHS Team Score:** 35.10.

BALANCE BEAM: Elmore 8.85; Hass 8.4; Cail 8.25; Bernstein 8.2; Jackie Barry 7.85; Krit Kearins 7.55. **AHS Team Score:** 33.70.

VAULT: Elmore 8.8; Hass 8.75; Kearins 8.55; Massihzadegan 8.3; Fung 8.1; Gretchen Fuhr 8.05. **AHS Team Score:** 34.40.

FLOOR EXERCISE: Elmore 9.1; Hass 8.85; Bernstein 8.75; Massihzadegan 8.45; Kearins 8.4; Cail 8.4. **AHS Team Score:** 35.15.

Four-Event Scores: Kristen Elmore 35.90; Becky Hass 34.85.

NORTH SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP MEET at Stoneham High Team Scores

(Top 4 to State Meet)

1. **ANDOVER** 137.60; 2. Beverly 134.65; 3. Woburn 133.30; 4. Masconomet Regional 132.875; 5. Danvers 132.10; 6. Bishop Fenwick 130.10; 7. Melrose 128.05; 8. Shrewsbury 128.00; 9. Marblehead 127.60; 10. Algonquin Regional 124.85; 11. Peabody 113.80; 12. Westford Academy 108.05.

Andover Scorers

(Top 4 Count For Team)

UNEVEN BARS: Kristen Elmore 9.1; Becky Hass 8.75; Sheri Bernstein 8.35; Renee Fung 8.25; Bahaar Massihzadegan 7.65; Kaitlin Doyle 7.05. **AHS Team Score:** 34.45.

BALANCE BEAM: Hass 8.95; Elmore 8.85; Bernstein 8.55; Katie Cail 8.25; Krit Kearins 8.05; Jackie Barry 7.95. **AHS Team Score:** 34.45.

VAULT: Elmore 9.0; Hass 8.55; Kearins 8.25; Cail 8.20; Fung 8.05; Massihzadegan 7.9. **AHS Team Score:** 34.00.

FLOOR EXERCISE: Elmore 9.1; Hass 8.75; Bernstein 8.6; Cail 8.25; Kearins 8.15; Fung 7.7. **AHS Team Score:** 34.70.

Four-Event Scores: Kristen Elmore 36.05; Becky Hass 35.00.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

ANDOVER 44, LOWELL 39 at Dunn Gym

Lowell — Asia Alston 5-3-14, Estrella Kuilan 3-0-6, Carmen Alvarado 2-0-4, Jenn Scannell 2-4-8, Lauren Beausoleil 0-1-1, Dianne Faia 2-0-6. **Totals:** 14-8-39.

Andover — Lisa Tisbert 2-0-4, Katie Kramer 1-0-2, Jenny Muller 9-0-18, Lindsey Pearson 2-0-4, Shannon Sweeney 3-0-6, Michelle Danis 0-4-4, Kristen Swoboda 1-0-2, Megan Pinksten 2-0-4, Allison James 0-0-0. **Totals:** 20-4-44.

Halftime: Lowell, 22-21. **3-pointers:** L. Faia 2, Alston 1. **Rebounds:** A. Danis 14, Sweeney 12, Swoboda 8, Pinksten 6. **Assists:** A. Muller 4, Sweeney 3. **Steals:** A. Muller 3, Sweeney 2. **Record:** Andover 18-2.

ANDOVER 39, JEREMIAH BURKE 29 at Dunn Gym

Jeremiah Burke — Gunn 2-0-4, McCants 1-4-6, Montiero 6-2-14, Ford 1-1-3, Brittle 1-0-2. **Totals:** 11-7-29.

Andover — Lisa Tisbert 1-1-4, Katie Kramer 2-0-4, Jenny Muller 3-0-6, Lindsey Pearson 2-0-5, Kristen Swoboda 0-0-0, Shannon Sweeney 1-0-2, Michelle Danis 4-0-8, Megan Pinksten 5-1-11. **Totals:** 18-2-39.

Halftime: Burke, 21-11. **3-pointers:** A. Tisbert 1, Pearson 1. **Rebounds:** A. Pinksten 11, Sweeney 9, Muller 7, Pearson 6. **Assists:** A. Muller 6, Pearson 3, Sweeney 3. **Steals:** A. Muller 4.

BOYS BASKETBALL

ANDOVER 71, CENTRAL CATHOLIC 58 at CCHS Auditorium, Lawrence

Andover — Tom McLaughlin 12-6-35, Pat Murnane 3-2-8, Brad Stubenhaus 6-2-16, Paul Bellacqua 2-0-5, Kevin Shepard 1-0-3, Dave Cordima 2-0-4. **Totals:** 26-10-71.

Central Catholic — Gus Bonet 0-1-1, Erik Hall 2-2-6, Bill Sherry 2-0-6, Matt Bergeron 1-0-2, Matt Kobelski 5-5-15, Josh Slattery 2-0-4, Brad Damphousse 8-6-22, Ray Nunez 0-2-2, Steve Perry 0-0-0. **Totals:** 20-16-58.

Halftime: Andover, 45-38. **3-pointers:** A. McLaughlin 5, Stubenhaus 2, Bellacqua 1, Shepard 1, CC, Sherry 2. **Record:** Andover 18-3.

ANDOVER 78, AMHERST REGIONAL 69 at Dunn Gym

Amherst Regional — Brown 5-0-13, Gordon 10-3-24, Cobyln 2-0-5, Williams 0-1-1, Cutler 4-5-13, Lattuca 4-5-13. **Totals:** 25-14-69.

Andover — Tom McLaughlin 9-16-38, Pat Murnane 2-1-5, Brad Stubenhaus 6-2-15, Paul Bellacqua 5-4-16, Kevin Shepard 1-0-2, Dave Cordima 0-2-2, Adam Silevitch 0-0-0. **Totals:** 23-25-78.

Halftime: Andover, 46-30. **3-pointers:** A. McLaughlin 4, Bellacqua 2, Stubenhaus 1; AR, Brown 3, Gordon 1, Cobyln 1. **Rebounds:** A. Murnane 9, McLaughlin 6.

Assists: A. Bellacqua 6. **Deflections:** A. Murnane 7.

ANDOVER 71, JEREMIAH BURKE 57 at Dunn Gym

Jeremiah Burke — Kindell 7-1-16, Phillips 1-0-3, Johnson 3-0-7, Dew 2-0-4, Walker 3-0-6, Watson 5-4-17, Owumi 2-0-4. **Totals:** 23-5-57.

Andover — Tom McLaughlin 7-8-23, Pat Murnane 5-2-12, Brad Stubenhaus 6-2-14, Paul Bellacqua 0-2-2, Adam Silevitch 1-0-2, Kevin Shepard 3-0-6, Andrew Carter 2-0-4, Dave Cordima 2-2-6, Mike Byrne 1-0-2. **Totals:** 27-16-71.

Halftime: Andover, 38-23. **3-pointers:** A. McLaughlin 1; JB, Watson 3, Johnson 1, Phillips 1, Kindell 1. **Rebounds:** A. Murnane 8, McLaughlin 7, Stubenhaus 6. **Assists:** A. Bellacqua 9, Shepard 4, McLaughlin 2.

HOCKEY

ANDOVER 8, NORTH READING 4 Newburyport Bank Classic Semifinal Game

at Graf Rink, Newburyport

FIRST PERIOD: 1. NR, T.J. Goddard (Adam Forrest), 3:45 (pp); 2. A. John Stearns 4 (unassisted), 5:55; 3. A. Andy Ryan 5 (Brad Dunn, Lars Kiel), 7:58; 4. A. Jon Ofria 6 (Tim LeGrow, Peter Burbank), 13:10; 5. A. Ryan 6 (Dunn), 14:58.

SECOND PERIOD: 6. NR, Mike McCarthy (Chris Venezia, Chris Soucy), 4:25 (pp); 7. NR, Goddard (unassisted), 9:21; 8. A. Brendan Gleason 2 (Chris Cataldo), 9:56; 9. NR, Mark Pinkham (Goddard), 10:22; 10. A. Ryan 7 (Dennis Moran), 11:37; 11. A. Ryan 8 (Dunn), 13:19.

THIRD PERIOD: 12. A. Moran 5 (Ryan, LeGrow), 12:46.

Andover 4 3 1 — 8

North Reading 1 3 0 — 4

Shots by period: Andover 17-18-9-44, North Reading 7-11-6-24. **Goalies:** A. Chris Salini (24 shots, 20 saves); Mike Kazmierczak (44 shots, 36 saves). **Penalties:** Andover 5, North Reading 4.

Record: Andover 7-12.

METHUEN 6, ANDOVER 3

at Merrimack Valley Forum, Lawrence

FIRST PERIOD: 1. A. Jon Ofria 5 (Peter Burbank, Brendan Gleason), 2:47; 2. A. John Stearns 3 (Gleason), 4:08; 3. M. Dave George 8 (Jeremy Abdo, Paul St. Louis), 5:46.

SECOND PERIOD: 4. M. Kevin McCarthy 11 (Thom Dezenzo), 0:17.

THIRD PERIOD: 5. M. McCarthy 12 (Matt Tetreault), 0:38; 6. M. McCarthy 13 (Ryan Fontaine), 5:58 (sh); 7. A. Tim LeGrow 6 (Ofria), 13:07; 8. M. Eric MacDonald 10 (McCarthy, Fontaine), 13:36; 9. M. Al Soucy 3 (Shane Wakeen), 13:47.

Methuen 1 1 4 — 6

Andover 2 0 1 — 3

Shots by period: Methuen 11-5-12-28, Andover 8-10-16-34. **Goalies:** A. Chris Salini (27 shots, 22 saves); Brendan Gatin (1 shot, 0 saves); M. Dave Gray (34 shots, 31 saves). **Penalties:** Andover 11, Methuen 9.

DRACUT 2, ANDOVER 1

at Janas Rink, Lowell

FIRST PERIOD: 1. A. Matt Busby 2 (Chris Cataldo, Dustin Shea), 9:44.

SECOND PERIOD: 2. D. Jim Keamey 14 (Bob Johansen, Tim Chiesa), 4:00.

THIRD PERIOD: 3. D. Dan Frederick 14 (Josh Notini), 9:20.

Andover 1 0 0 — 1

Dracut 0 1 1 — 2

Shots on goal: Dracut 27, Andover 20. **Goalies:** D. Ed Lavallee (20 shots, 19 saves); A. Chris Salini (27 shots, 25 saves). **Penalties:** Dracut 5, Andover 8.

GIRLS INDOOR TRACK

EASTERN MASS. CLASS B CHAMPIONSHIP MEET at Reggie Lewis Center, Roxbury

Top Teams

1. Reading 51 pts; 2. Needham 46; 3. Acton-Boxboro 32; 4. Whitman-Hanson 30.5; 5. Newton South 30; 6. **ANDOVER** 23.

Andover Scorers

55-METER HURDLES: 3. Sheena Patel 9.00.

MILE: 5. Emily Pfeil 5:35.41

LONG JUMP: 4. Patel 15'7"

SHOT PUT: Ogechi Ibe 32'8"

4x400 RELAY: 2. Patel, Janelle LaRose, Stephanie Casper & Julie Marvin 4:14.34.

4x800 RELAY: 5. Lindsey Durkin, Allison Corey, Caitly Murray & Jess DeFrancisco, 10:16.62.

STATE CLASS B RELAYS at Reggie Lewis Center, Roxbury

Top Teams

1. Reading 54 pts; 2. **ANDOVER** 36.

Andover Scorers

SHOT PUT: 1. Ogechi Ibe 32' 1/2"; Robin Young 31'5"; Melissa Langlais 27'2." **Total Distance:** 90'7 1/2"

HIGH JUMP: 2. Alexis Contos 4'10"; Liz Connors 4'10"; Emily Pfeil 4'8." **Total Height:** 14'4"

LONG JUMP: 2. Sheena Patel 15'11"; Stephanie Pierce 14'10 1/2"; Siobhan Landry 14' 1/2." **Total Distance:** 44'9 1/2"

4x400 RELAY: 3. Patel, Janelle LaRose, Stephanie Casper & Allison Corey. **Time:** 4:20.12.

4x800 RELAY: 4. Lindsey Durkin, Jessie DeFrancisco, Caitly Murray & Corey. **Time:** 10:24.7.

ANDOVER 69, LOWELL 17

at AHS Field House

50 HURDLES: 1. Sheena Patel (A) 7.4; 2. Stephanie Pierce (A) 7.7; 3. Kylisha Farris (L) 7.9.

50 DASH: 1. Ana Kincaid (L) 6.4; 2. Jenny Hsu (A) 6.7; 3. Julie Marvin (A) 6.8.

300: 1. Stephanie Casper (A) 42.7; 2. Janelle LaRose (A) 43.0; 3. Kaitlin Hill (A) 43.2.

600: 1. Nicole Thurston (L) 1:37.2; 2. Caitly Murray (A) 1:37.7; 3. Allison Corey (A) 1:38.6.

1000: 1. Lindsey Durkin (A) 3:04.0; 2. Jessie DeFrancisco (A) 3:07.4; 3. Tricia Tobin (L) 3:14.8.

MILE: 1. Emily Pfeil (A) 5:54.1; 2. Kaitly Murphy (L) 6:13.7; 3. Laura O'Connell (A) 6:19.8.

2-MILE: 1. Caitlin Woo (A) 13:18.4; 2. Julia Kwolyk (A) 13:58.8; 3. Maureen Regan (L) 14:04.2.

HIGH JUMP: 1. Liz Connors (A) 4'8"; 2. Alexis Contos (A) 4'8"; 3. Natasha Camilo (A) 4'8"

SHOT PUT: 1. Ogechi Ibe (A) 34'5 3/4"; 2. Robin Young (A) 31'0"; 3. Tabitha Hebert (L) 29'9"

4x400 RELAY: 1. Andover (Brystal Konjoian, Amanda Bucholtz, Liz Sullivan & Christina Araujo), 4:56.0.

Record: Andover 6-0-1 (MVC Division 1 champ).

ANDOVER 43, CHELMSFORD 43

at AHS Field House

50 HURDLES: 1. Sheena Patel (A) 7.3; 2. Christina Pak (C) 7.5; 3. Stephanie Pierce (A) 7.9.

50 DASH: 1. Amy Ubele (C) 6.8; 2. Jenny Hsu (A) 6.9; 3. Lyndsey Hadley (C) 7.0.

300: 1. Erin Ivers (C) 41.5; 2. Janelle LaRose (A) 42.6; 3. (tie) Molly Morse (C) & Kim Long (C) 42.7.

600: 1. Lora Mead (C) 1:36.5; 2. Allison Corey (A) 1:39.4; 3. Caitly Murray (A) 1:40.0.

1000: 1. Lauren Eynation (C) 3:01.4; 2. Lindsey Durkin (A) 3:03.6; 3. Jessie DeFrancisco (A) 3:04.5.

MILE: 1. Emily Pfeil (A) 5:51.6; 2. Krista Byam (C) 5:57.8; 3. Lindsey Hanlon (C) 6:02.4.

2-MILE: 1. Kara Gillette (C) 12:48.6; 2. Alyssa Campbell (C) 13:00.1; 3. Caitlin Woo (A) 13:13.4.

HIGH JUMP: 1. Pfeil (A) 4'10"; 2. Alexis Contos (A) 4'10"; 3. Liz Connors (A) 4'10"

SHOT PUT: 1. Ogechi Ibe (A) 33'2 1/2"; 2. Robin Young (A) 31'7 1/2"; 3. Ashley Hoover (C) 29'1"

4x400 RELAY: 1. Chelmsford, 4:28.8.

BOYS INDOOR TRACK

EASTERN MASS. CLASS B CHAMPIONSHIP MEET at Reggie Lewis Center, Roxbury

Andover Scorers

55-METER HURDLES: 1. Charles Murnane 7.86 (Class B champion).

HIGH JUMP: 2. Murnane 6'3"

SHOT PUT: 6. Adam Spiller 41'6 1/2"

STATE CLASS B RELAYS at Reggie Lewis Center, Roxbury

Team Standings

1. Gloucester 46 pts; 2. Reading 36; 3. Central Catholic 34. 10. **ANDOVER** 16 pts.

Andover Scorers

HIGH JUMP: 3. Charles Murnane 6'0"; Alex Champion 5'3"; Nishant Mehta 5'3." **Total Height:** 16'6"

4x50 RELAY: 3. Murnane, Bob Uilo, Jeremy Spiegel & Mike Giles. **Time:** 22.94.

DISTANCE MEDLEY: 5. Greg Stamm (1,200 meters); Chad Mongeau (400 meters); Terrance Fitzsimmons (800 meters); Tim Galebach (1,600 meters). **Time:** 11:23.89.

SHOT PUT: 5. Adam Spiller 39'10"; Mike Burnett 38'8"; Peter An 38'3 1/4." **Total Distance:** 116'7 1/4"

BOYS SWIM & DIVE

NORTH SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP MEET at Haverhill High pool

Team Scores

1. Weston 246 pts; 2. Chelmsford 200; 3. Acton-Boxboro 196; 4. St. John's Prep 186. 13. **ANDOVER** 24.

Andover Placers

200 MEDLEY RELAY: 14. Andover (Justin Crocker, Luke Moskal, John D'Ambrosio & Jim Russo), 1:54.25.

200 FREE: 8. Crocker 1:53.32.

200 IM: 8. Russo 2:10.62; 23. Moskal 2:19.41; 32. Colin Callahan 2:25.42.

100 BUTTERFLY: 25. D'Ambrosio 1:03.20.

500 FREE: 3. Crocker 5:04.12; 11. Russo 5:13.72; 19. Moskal 5:32.77.

100 BACKSTROKE: 20. D'Ambrosio 1:03.67.

Note: Crocker qualifies for All-State Meet in 500 free & 200 free; Russo in 500 free & 200 IM.

MVC CHAMPIONSHIP MEET at Haverhill High pool

Team Scores

1. Chelmsford 516 pts; 2. Nashua, N.H. 338; 3. Haverhill 212; 4. **ANDOVER** 197; 5. Lowell 99.

Andover Placers

200 MEDLEY RELAY: 6. Andover A (Justin Crocker, Luke Moskal, John D'Ambrosio & James Russo), 1:54.50; 9. Andover B (Rick Umlah, Colin Callahan, Mike Avila & Rich Roda), 2:01.89.

200 FREE: 1. Crocker 1:53.49 (state cut); 11. Chris Lee (2:20.60).

200 IM: 3. Russo 2:12.26 (sectional cut); 8. Moskal 2:21.54 (sectional cut); 11. Callahan 2:24.21 (sectional cut); 18. Thiago Santos 3:05.80.

50 FREE: 7. D'Ambrosio 24.46 (sectional cut); 10. Roda 25.23; 18. Umlah 28.01; 20. Rob Lakow 28.57; 23. James Paull 28.80; 30. Jeff Bowe 31.28.

1-METER DIVING: 7. Bowe 133.72 pts.

100 BUTTERFLY: 4. D'Ambrosio 1:01.69 (sectional cut); 13. Avila 1:12.63.

POLICE LOG

ARRESTS

Wednesday, Feb. 23 - At 12:38 a.m., after a report of a vehicle off the road and into the woods, Thomas R. Croft, 21, 50 Village Green, North Andover, was arrested on Glenwood Road and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and failing to stay in marked lanes.

Friday, Feb. 25 - At 12:17 a.m., after Andover Country Club reported a suspicious vehicle parking in the lot with kids hanging around, and after an officer found an abandoned vehicle in a snow bank, an 18-year-old Andover male was taken into protective custody.

At 2:07 a.m., an officer at Andover High School reported returning with a 17-year-old Andover male, and an 18-year-old Andover female in protective custody.

At 11:13 p.m., Patrick Lewis, 48, of 12 Eastgate Road, Billerica, was arrested on Main Street and charged with a second offense of driving under the influence, following to close, and a red-light violation.

Saturday, Feb. 26 - At 1:14 a.m., after an intoxicated man with little money walking into the station saying he had missing his train, a 39-year-old Woburn male was taken into protective custody.

At 2:31 p.m., Yudenia Perez, 18, of Columbia Road, Boston, was arrested on North Main Street and charged with driving without a license, and failing to display plates while driving a vehicle.

Monday, Feb. 28 - At 6:55 p.m., after a Memorial Circle caller reported seeing a 9-year-old boy assaulted by an older boy, a sergeant found, arrested and charged a 14-year-old Andover male with disturbing the peace, assault, and assault and battery.

Tuesday, Feb. 29 - At 12:08 p.m., Wendy D. Garcia, 25, of 7 Holt Road, Lawrence, was arrested on Union Street and charged with driving with a suspended license.

At 7:42 p.m., Kordel L. Runge, 35, of 7 Glenn Cove, Andover, was arrested at home and charged with assault and batter on a family member and malicious destruction of property over \$250.

INCIDENTS

Wednesday, Feb. 23 - At 10:55 a.m., a woman reported receiving a phone call

Hotel worker arrested for indecent assault

An Andover hotel employee is being charged with inappropriately touching two pre-teen girls in a workout area by the hotel's pool, say police.

Dennis Chamberlain, 48, of 42 Centerville Drive, Salem, N.H., turned himself in to the Andover station Tuesday, Feb. 29, and was arrested and charged with two counts of indecent assault and battery on a child under 14.

Detective Sgt. Don Pattullo says the incident allegedly occurred during school vacation week, when some local parents brought a group of children to the hotel for a day.

Pattullo says Chamberlain allegedly touched a 12- and 11-year old girl.

"A pool attendant was on a break and this guy was watching the pool while a pool attendant left," says Pattullo. "The girls were in the pool and then they went into the workout room."

Pattullo says Chamberlain followed the girls into the room and "he touched them inappropriately."

Pattullo would not disclose for which Andover hotel Chamberlain worked. The incident occurred Feb. 23 and was reported to police Feb. 25, he says.

— Neil Fater

from a male who said he was going to take his life and had been drinking. An officer was sent to make sure everyone was OK.

Thursday, Feb. 24 - At 1:27 p.m., a woman reported that a bunch of kids were on a neighbor's roof "making a lot of noise with music" and "getting high."

At 7:04 p.m., a possible suicide was reported at Draper Cottage.

Friday, Feb. 25 - At 1:21 p.m., a Pike School employee requested an officer regarding an unknown person who had called the school and said he was going "to put acid in the flour."

At 1:36 p.m., a woman called police saying that a male had gotten into a car on Railroad Street and told two female toddlers that he was not going to hurt them. The caller did not think the children belonged to the male. Police sent a message for any unit spotting the vehicle to stop and hold it, but officers did not find such a vehicle in the area.

At 2:26 p.m., a Brookside Drive resident made a 911 call to ask advice about "a 15-year-old female (who) doesn't want to listen."

At 11:48 p.m., a woman reported her teenaged son was depressed about an incident that happened at Phillips and had left the house. An officer and the mother located the male.

Saturday, Feb. 26 - At 1:51 p.m., a female brought a BB gun into the station to be disposed of.

Sunday, Feb. 27 - At 6:15 p.m., an officer reported a dead cat on Dascomb Road.

Tuesday, Feb. 29 - At 10:25 a.m., a Main Street store employee reported the possible shoplifting of some razor blades.

At 12:59 p.m., a Rock Ridge Road person complained Merrimack College students "are totally ignoring the resident parking signs and there are at least 16 vehicles parked in violation." Police talk the man the town was not yet enforcing the signs.

At 3:24 p.m., the infirmary at Phillips Academy reported having an unresponsive 17-year-old male. Andover police reported the male said he had not ingested anything, but was upset emotionally. He was going to go to the hospital for an evaluation.

BREAKS

Friday, Feb. 25 - At 9:37 a.m., a Dufton Road resident called to report a house break. The woman had returned to her home at 8:30 a.m., and took a shower. When she exited the shower, she noticed that someone had gone through the bedroom and a side door had been forced open. A VCR was missing from the living room.

Monday, Feb. 28 - At 12:18 p.m., a South Main Street resident reported someone had taken his wife's pocketbook from the kitchen table while she was working upstairs during the past

hour or two.

THEFTS

Monday, Feb. 28 - At 9:59 a.m., a construction worker on Bobby Jones Drive reported the theft of tools from a work site sometime during the weekend.

AUTO INCIDENTS

Thursday, Feb. 24 - At 6 p.m., an officer was to file on the theft of a cellular phone from a car parked in front of Spinners Pizza on Andover Street.

Friday, Feb. 25 - At 10:30 a.m., a Ball-moral Street caller reported that someone had taken the rear license plate from his car during the night.

At 2:51 p.m., a woman called from the lot behind CVS to report that her wallet, containing a diamond ring, had been stolen from her vehicle while she was in the store.

Saturday, Feb. 26 - At 12:22 p.m., a resident reported a cellular phone had been taken from his son's car while it was parked behind Old Town Hall on Main Street. The caller said the phone was valued at \$150.

Sunday, Feb. 27 - At 2:33 p.m., a woman reported people speeding up and down her street. Then, a male called to say that another male who was raking a yard had told him to slow down and then hit his car with a rake. The male whose car was hit asked to speak with an officer.

ACCIDENTS

Wednesday, Feb. 23 - At 9:40 a.m., there was a report of a hit-and-run on a vehicle in a Main Street parking that had occurred the previous Friday.

At 6:08 p.m., a woman reported that a truck hit her car on Dascomb Road and did not stop.

Tuesday, Feb. 29 - At 3:49 p.m., an accident with personal injury was reported by the intersection of Central and Brook streets.

VANDALISM

There were four such reported cases, including a report from a woman who said that when she entered her bus Monday morning she noticed a fire extinguisher had been used and an empty box of ammunition had been left on the seat.

Street ...

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under him.

In 1989, a number of them gathered in town for a USS Tirante reunion, including Ned Beach, the author of Run Silent, Run Deep, which was made into a movie, and Capt. Street's gunnery officer, state Gov. Endicott Peabody.

"There was such a genuine affection and respect. It was quite striking to those of us who witnessed it," says Doherty.

Since word of Capt. Street's

death became known, Doherty says he's been receiving calls from submarine bases in Rhode Island, because Navy officials want to express their remorse.

"Anywhere there are submarines or submariners, he's an icon. He'll be sorely missed by the submariner," says Doherty.

"He was a patriot, he was a southerner, even though he lived up here, and a true gentleman," says his son.

Doherty says veterans hope to see a ship named after him soon. "If the Navy had its druthers, and gets all its ships built this year, I think we have a very good chance," he says.

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ACBL results ...

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Lauren Barber, Brigga Heelen and Mary Keohane had a basket each for the victors.

Michelle Pirro had 4 points for SAA, Libby Muligan 3 and contributing a field goal each were Libby Fortier, Meghan Keefe and Lauren Reed.

South Church 38

West Parish 10

Marianne Murphy and Hannah Brady spearheaded the balanced winners' attack with 10 points each, and South broke it open by scoring 24 in the second half.

Melissa Martin added 6 points, Erin Korte and Paige Shaffer 4 each and single field goals were contributed by Heather Fleming and Jeanmarie Gossard.

Allison Nill and Meredith Peck tossed in 4 points each for West, while Leslie Peck had a second-half bucket.

Week 7

St. Robert's A 31

West Parish 8

Elizabeth Dwulet scored 8 of her 10 points in the

first half as division-leading SRA moved out to a 17-2 lead, and Maggie Murphy led the winners after the break with all 12 of her game-high points.

Corrine Welsh had 5 first-half points and single field goals were added by Courtney Dynes and Andrea Pereira.

Meredith Peck produced 4 points for West while Lauren Elias and Allison Nill had 2 each.

St. Robert's C 36

South Church 16

J'aime Gilbert poured in 18 of her 20 points in the first half as SRC built a 22-6 lead and cruised.

Amanda Chomicz backed Gilbert with 8 points while Cait Delaney, Kara McCall, Danielle Perry and Christa Sharis had 2 points apiece.

Jennifer Henry paced South with 6 points, Paige Shaffer had 4 and delivering a field goal each were Hannah Brady, Katy Carter and Melissa Martin.

ACBL standings Senior Girls

	W	L	PF	PA
St. Robert's A	7	1	218	105
St. Augustine B	5	2	191	156
St. Robert's C	5	3	226	213
St. Augustine A	4	3	122	139
South	2	5	162	165
St. Robert's B	2	5	110	169
West Parish	1	7	118	200

Kevin Shepard wins award

Kevin Shepard is the most recent winner of the Baystate Financial Services "Player of the Fortnight Award."

Andover High boys basketball coach Dave Fazio says Shepard is an enthusiastic, team-oriented player.

"Kevin hasn't gotten a lot of attention this year, but he's a terrific team player and a real 'gamer.'"

An example of this was his all-out play against Central Catholic. At one point, he dove off the court and into the stands to save a ball. He hit a key three-pointer that helped us a lot. He has become our sixth man — the first one off the bench.

"He's just done a phenomenal job, and we look forward to his continuing contributions throughout the playoffs."

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT ESSEX DIVISION Docket No. 00P0310-EP1 NOTICE

In the ESTATE OF JOHN C. GARABEDIAN otherwise known as JOHN C. GARABEDIAN, SENIOR

To all persons interested in the estate of JOHN C. GARABEDIAN otherwise known as JOHN C. GARABEDIAN, SENIOR late of the County of Essex Date of Death, December 1, 1999.

A petition has been presented in the above captioned matter praying that a certain instrument be probated purporting to be a copy of the last will of said deceased by EILEEN GARABEDIAN OF Andover in the County of Essex, praying that she be appointed executrix thereof, without giving sureties on her bond.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT Salem Probate Court, 36 Federal St., Salem, MA 01970 BEFORE 10:00 O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 A.M.) ON March 27, 2000.

Wills only: In addition you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating the specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

Witness, Edward J. Rockett, Esquire, First Justice of said Court. Date February 18, 2000
Pamela Casey O'Brien
Register of Probate Court
March 2, 2000

TOWN OF ANDOVER



PLANNING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be convened on Tuesday, March 14, 2000, at 9:00 p.m., in the Third Floor Conference Room, Town Office Building, Bartlet Street, on the request of Andover Mills Realty Limited Partnership for a one year extension of a special permit (SP98-06) issued by the Board on July 1, 1998; said permit allowing for the construction of a multi-level parking garage to accommodate 850 cars on property owned by the applicant at 40 Haverhill Street (Brickstone Square), and more particularly identified as Lot 27 on Assessor's Map 35. The request and related documents and plans may be examined in the Planning Department between the hours of 8:30 a.m., and 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

THE ANDOVER
PLANNING BOARD
Michael H. Miller, Esq.,
Chairman

February 24
March 2, 2000

TOWN OF ANDOVER



PLANNING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to MGL, Chapter 40A, Section 5., a public hearing will be convened on Tuesday, March 14, 2000, at 7:30 p.m., in the Third Floor Conference Room, Town Office Building, Bartlet Street, on the following proposed amendments to the Andover Zoning By-Law:

(1) Amend Section VI.0.5.d.(1) (Multiple-family dwelling construction - Attached Cluster) to allow the Planning Board to consider a Special Permit for Attached Cluster development on a parcel of land larger than 25 acres. The current by-law limits such development to parcels not more than 25 acres in size. This proposed amendment submitted by Richard G. Asoian and others.

(2) Amend Section VI.0.5.f.(4) (Multiple-family dwelling construction - Attached Cluster) by deleting in its first line the words "four (4) rooms" and replacing the same with the words "eight (8) rooms". This proposed amendment submitted by Richard G. Asoian and others.

(3) Amend Section VI.1 (Flood Hazard District) by deleting the current section in its entirety and replacing therewith new language which conforms in regulations and definitions to the current regulations of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA); including a Statement of Purpose, Floodplain District Boundaries, Base Flood Elevation and Floodway Data, and Permitted Uses. This proposed amendment submitted by Northpoint Realty Development Corp., represented by Richard G. Asoian and others.

The foregoing amendments are privately submitted, and the full text thereof may be viewed in the Planning Department between the hours of 8:30 a.m., and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

THE ANDOVER
PLANNING BOARD
Michael H. Miller, Esq.,
Chairman

February 24,
March 2, 2000

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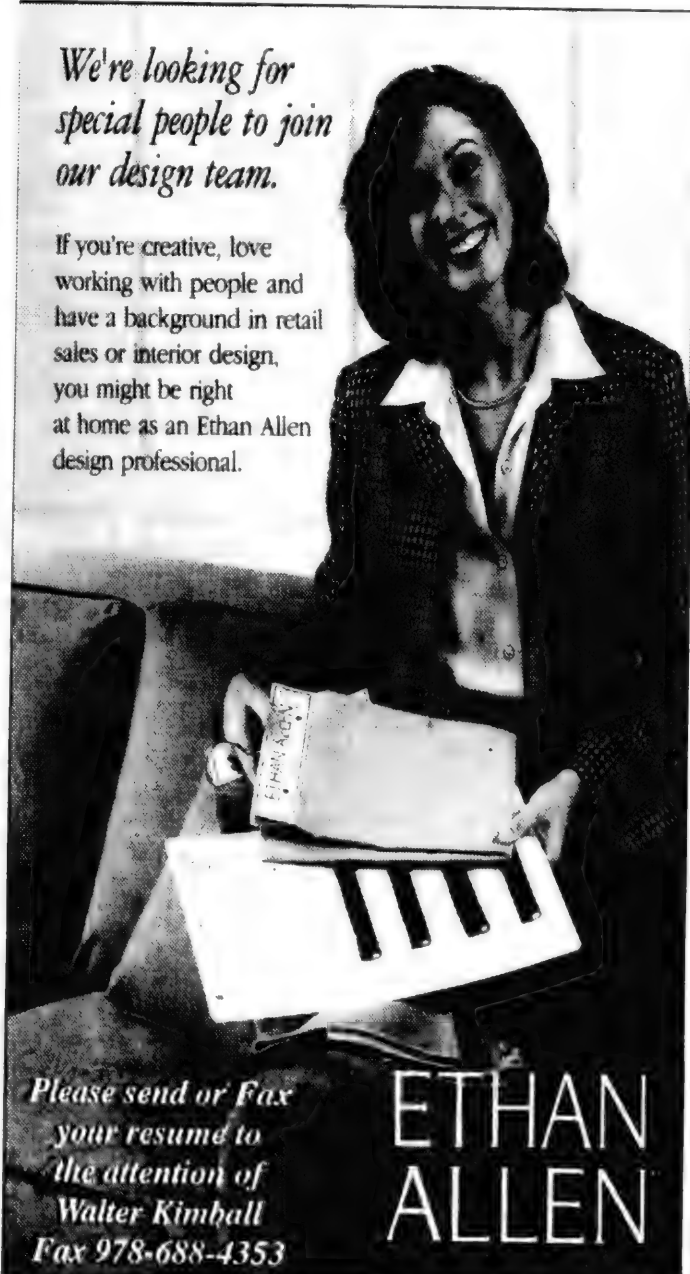
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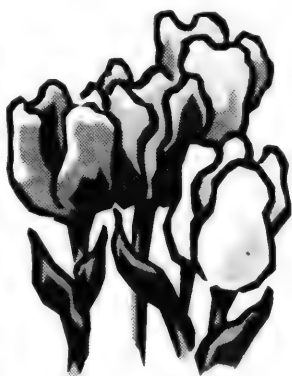
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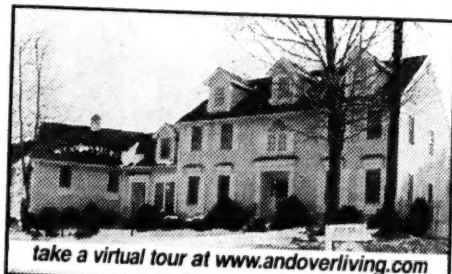


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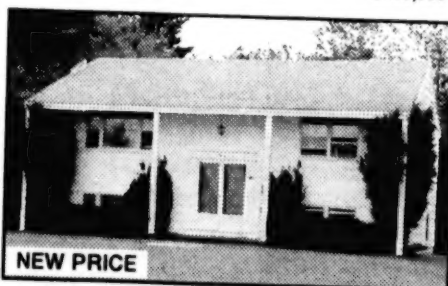
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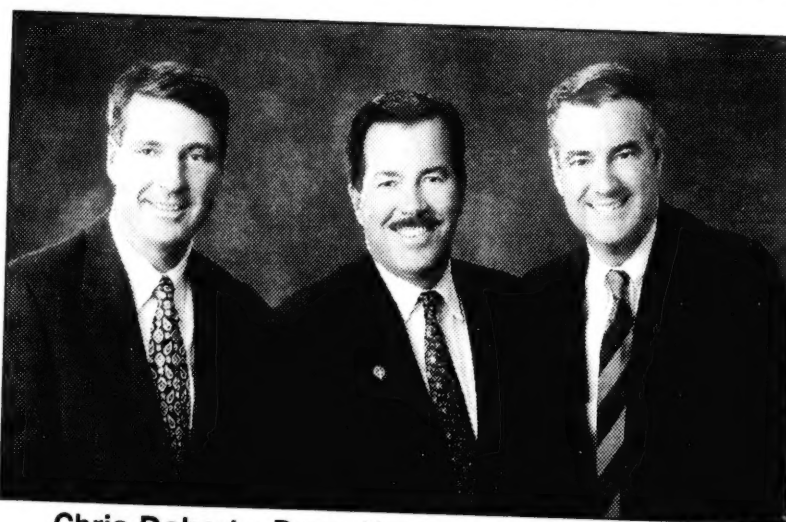


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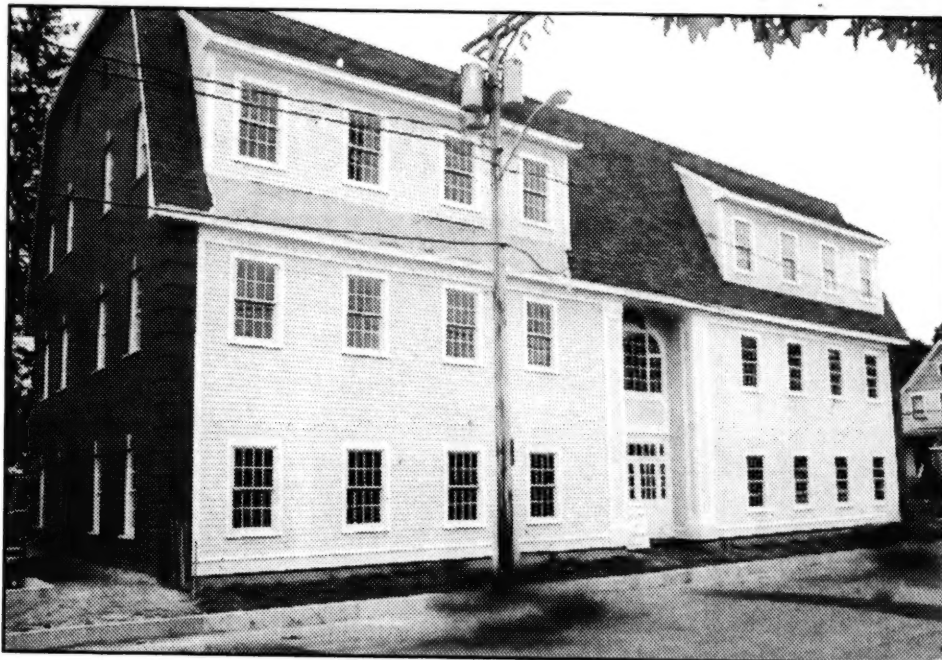
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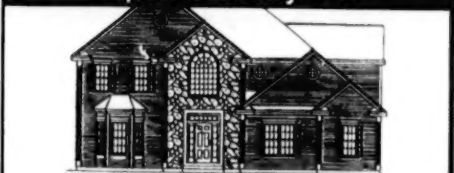


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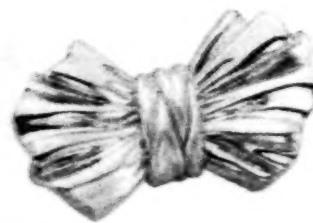
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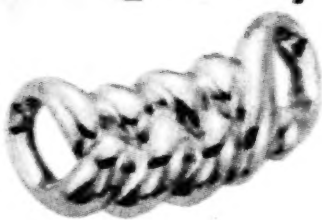
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